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# \*\*\*\*\* EDITORIAL \*\*\*\*

How vividly I remember the thrill all those years ago (about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to be precise) when I eagerly unpacked the first disk drive for my Model I TRS-80, connected it up and marvelled at the speed, efficiency and, above all, the reliability of its data storage, compared with the cassette recorder I had been using. Time has passed, the old 35 track single-side, single-density disk drive has given way to the larger capacity 40 track drives, then dual-head and even 80 track, dual-head drives and finally double-density operation, all supported by more and more powerful disk operating systems. But none of these developments gave the same thrill as that first humble, 35 track disk drive. They were evolutionary, it was revolutionary. I thought that innocence had well and truly been lost and that that sort of excitement was gone forever.

Recently, I noticed an advertisement in Australian Personal Computer, for micro-winchester drives using ACT-506 controller boards. ACT was not an unfamiliar name, I had seen similar advertisements in the American Byte magazine several months earlier but that ACT stood for American Computers and Telecommunications, whilst this ACT stood for Australian Computers and Telecommunications. Enquiries to the States at the time had indicated that a security firm in Sydney had the Australian distribution rights for the ACT controller - seemingly a strange combination. Anyway, once the advertisement appeared in APC, I called the number indicated and almost before we knew it, Eddy Paay and I were on a plane, hotfoot (literally - it was during the power restrictions in February) for Sydney. I am happy to report that all innocence had not been lost. Watching a 5M byte Winchester drive quietly and efficiently store and retrieve data in the blink of an eye was as great a thrill as that first disk drive had been  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years ago. The most impressive aspect of the whole demonstration, however, was the the skilful combination of hardware and software which makes the ACT hard disk sub-system live up to its name as a system. This is definitely not just another piece of advanced hardward technology which leaves the new owner with the responsibility for finding how to use it in his system. This is a complete, operating, integrated hardware/software package that will plug in and run, efficiently and effectively. Before we continue with more details of the sub-system, a few comments about ACT itself may be of interest.

ACT was indeed an American company which developed computer systems for use in large security installations. Burglar alarms, as they used to be called, become very complex when large premises are being protected and computers have been used to do the job for some years. ACT used the Zenith Z89 microcomputer for this purpose. When the new  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " Winchester Technology drives first became available in the U.S.A. about 12 months ago, ACT decided that these would be ideal for their systems but no suitable disk controller board was available. Ken Utley of ACT rose to the challenge and developed a controller board and software to interface to the Zenith Z89 operating under CP/M, and thus was born the ACT-506 controller. Australian Protection Industries Pty. Ltd. was the Australian distributor for the security systems developed by ACT, hence the tieup. Recently, Ken Utley moved to Australia bringing with him the design rights for the ACT-506 and Australian Computers and Telecommunications now manufactures and exports ACT-506 controller boards all over the world, including the U.S.A. In the intervening period, Ken has developed the software and hardware to interface the ACT-506 to a number of different microcomputers including the North Start Horizon, the Superbrain, S-100 systems and, most importantly from our point of view, the TRS-80 Models II and III.

If you closely examine the the photograph on the front cover of the hard disk sub-system, you will see that it bears the Micro-80 insignia. This is because we are so impressed and excited by its performance that we have had ACT construct the unit for us. We have also negotiated a special price of \$2,995.00 (tax included) for a complete sub-system for the IRS-80 Model III, together with the CP/M (org 4200H) disk operating system. For almost the first time in Australian microcomputing history, you can purchase a significant item of hardware for the same price in Australia as can Americans. If you are considering using a TRS-80 in a business application, I believe you should very seriously consider including the Micro-80 hard disk sub-system as part of your system. The minimum specification computer you require for its proper use is a 48K single disk drive TRS-80 Model III or a 64K Model II. You could therefore have a 5 Mbyte hard disk, CP/M, Model III, single floppy disk drive system for only \$5895.00 (Micro-80 prices). That is little more than half what you would pay for any other hard disk computer system. An added advantage is that absolutely no modifications are needed to the Model III. The Micro-80 sub-system simply plugs onto the 50 way expansion connector on the bottom of the Model III. Tandy's warranty is unaffected. Using CP/M you will have access to a wide range of professionally written and fully supported applications programs, including accounting packages, word processing, finance and budgeting, high level languages etc. etc. To add even further support, Micro-80 has commissioned Micro Systems Software in the U.S.A. to develop a version of DOSPLUS 4.0 especially for this system. With DOSPLUS, the sub-system will have access to the full range of Model III programs. Perhaps the best news of all is that we are offering a 30 day money back trial period. So confident are we of the system that we will refund the full purchase prices, less the cost of freight in either direction, if a sub-system is returne

The sub-system consists of the following components:

- 5 Mbyte  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " seagate ST-506 (or similar) micro-winchester hard disk drive
- ACT-506 microsequencer controller board
- HOP high-integrity data separator
   interface card for host computer
- heavy duty power supply
- free-standing, moulded plastic cabinet
- CP/M disk operating system and utilities for host computer.

The controller board itself contains in excess of 60 integrated circuits and is capable of controlling two 5 Mbyte micro-winchester hard disk drives simultaneously. The micro-winchester can read data at a burst rate of 5 million bits per second. The controller accepts data at this rate and stores it until the host computer has transferred it, via the interface card. The form of construction used, allows the sub-system to be transferred to a different computer at minimal cost, since only the host computer interface card and the CP/M need be changed.

The CP/M disk operating system supplied has a number of enhancements and is specially tailored to suit the Model III. For example, the following video capabilities are supported:

HEX	EFFECT
08	Backspace and erase
09	Tab (8, 16, 24,)
0A	Move cursor to start of next line and erase line.
OD	Move cursor to start of next line and erase line.
0E	cursor on
0F	cursor off
15	Swap space compression/Special Characters
16	Swap special/Alternate Characters
17	double size characters
18	Back space without earsing
19	Advance cursor
1A	cursor down line
1B	Cursor up line
10	Home cursor
1D	Erase line and start over
1E	Erase to end of line
1F	Erase to end of screen

The CP/M 2.2 supplied contains the following standard CP/M programs and files:

MOVCPM.COM PIP.COM	Program to relocate the CP/M system.  Program to move files. (Modified to use " " characters instead
SUBMIT.COM	of <sup>"[</sup> ]". Program to perform "batch" processing.
ED. COM	Text file editor.
ASM.COM DDT.COM	8080 assembler. System debugger. (Modified to use RST6).
LOAD.COM	Generates COM files from HEX files.
STAT. COM DUMP.COM	Program to display/set system and file parameters. File dumper.
DUMP.ASM	Source of above.

There are several additional programs supplied on the diskette. These are special programs written by ACT personnel to aid in system generation and error analysis. All are supplied in both source and object form.

SYSGEN.ASM SYSGEN.COM	Special system generation program for use with TRS-80 Model III floppy drives and 5MB hard disk. Program operation is identical to the standard CP/M sysgen generation program described in the CP/M manual.
FORMAT.ASM FORMAT.COM	Diskette initialization program for floppy drives. to initialize the hard disk, run DISKTEST Test 9.
BOOTHD.ASM BOOTHD.COM	This is the bootstrap program used to read in and execute the boot sector from the hard disk. The same program may be loaded into a user-supplied EPROM to be used for automatic hard disk boot on CPU power up.
BIOS.ASM	This file (supplied in source form only) is the source for the BIOS supplied with the TRS-80 Model III System.

HARDBOOT.ASM HARDBOOT.COM	This is the program loaded from the boot sector of the hard disk which will read the CP/M operating system and the BIOS into memory and execute.
DISKTEST.ASM DISKTEST.COM	Program to perform comprehensive testing of the 5MB disk subsystem.
DEFDISK.ASM DEFDISK.COM	Program to set the hard disk drive characteristics.
FIXDISK.COM	Program to locate, and make invisible, bad areas on the disk. This program works on any disk run under CP/M 2.2.
TRSCPM	Program allows copying from TRSDOS diskettes to CPM disks.
INSERTLF	Program allow automatic insertion of line feeds after carriage returns in basic programs.
TIMEDATE	Program allows setting of time and date for real clock usage.
CLOCKON	Turn-on display of time and date on CRT screen.
CLOCKOFF	Turn-off display of time and date on CRT screen.
SAVEFILE	Program allows copying of files larger than the floppy disk drive capabilities.
RESTORE	Program retrieves large files from format written by SAVEFILE.

What of the TRS-80 Model I and System 80? It is a relatively straightforward matter to implement the hard disk sub-system on these computers, if the demand is there. If you are seriously interested in having 5 Mbyte of fast, reliable storage on your Model I or System 80, write in and let us know so we can decide whether we should implement it or not.

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# \*\*\*\*\* INPUT/OUTPUT \*\*\*\*\*

From: R.J. Maclean, Formartin, Qld.

I have recently typed in the "Sound Effects Revisited" program which was published in the September edition. During the typing in I came across a bug which may also be a potential problem in other programs. When I ran the program my computer (System 80) threw up a '?SN ERROR IN 580'. After examining the relevant line I came to the conclusion that the lack of a space was causing the problem. Accordingly, I changed the line from "580 IFM>LETHENM=1" to "580 IFM>LE THENM=1". The changed line ran properly. Perhaps the removal of all blanks outside of REMark and PRINT lines is not always the best course.

As I am renewing my subscription with this letter I will take the opportunity to state that I have found Micro-80 to be very helpful and educational.

(The particular bug you discovered was probably due to the variable LE and the THEN statement forming the reserved word LET. Although LET is almost never used, it is available in BASIC. However, not all '80 interpreters run into this problem so there are obviously variations between machines. Perhaps it would be wise for authors to avoid variable names which form the first two letters of a reserved word. - Ed.)

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# \*\*\*\*\* READERS' REQUESTS \*\*\*\*\*

This column is a regular feature of MICRO-80. In it, we list all those articles, programs, etc. requested by our readers. We invite contributions from readers to satisfy these requests and will, of course, pay a publication fee for all articles, programs etc. printed. As a guide, we will pay a minimum publication fee of \$10 for any article or review published. In the case of software reviews, we will aim to pay in accordance with the value of the program, up to a maximum of \$25. So, if you write a good review which we publish and the usual selling price of the program in Australia is \$19.95, then we would pay you \$20. In that way, the successful reviewer will get the program he reviews, free. (Make sure you include the selling price in your review). Unfortunately, we cannot afford that policy on hardware (!) so we will pay in accordance with the merits of the review - generally of the order of \$25. Submission of a review for publication automatically means that you are prepared to accept the figure we decide to pay you and no correspondence will be entered into. Payment will be made within 30 days of publication.

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- Description of the functions performed by the Expansion Interface
- Reviews of '80 compatible printers
- Reviews of commercially available software (including that produced by us!) Reviews of commercially available hardware
- A master index to the appropriate sections in the Tandy Manuals in Level I, Level II, DOS etc.
- Comparative reviews of disk drives
- How to convert a Level I program to Level II
- A simple guide to using Level I Arrays
- An explanation of how to make full use of USR, PEEK and POKE statements
- Discussion of the various electric fields produced by the keyboard, tape recorder, monitor disk drives etc., how to measure them, how important they are and how to combat them

### \*\* SOFTWARE \*\*

- A m.l. program to enable the break key to work like RESET when using an expansion interface
- Stock market program
- Horse racing system
- Morse code decoder
- Sub-routine Forum
- A new STAR-TREK game
- Modification to SCRIPSIT which will enable it to output to the SYSTEM 80 printer port
- Programs of pharmaceutical interest such as Pharmacokinetics, Patient Medication Records, Drug information services etc.
- Multiple file tape backup (as in Australian Personal Computing Aug/Sept '81 for PET)
- A "PRINT SCREEN" command for the Model I
- A football game using graphics and sound
- Graphics car race as seen from the driver's position
- Tank game for a single player

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- Interfacing the '80 to external hardware
- Review on the performance of line filters
- Real Time clock
- Radio Teletype/Morse interfacing
- RFI (Radio Frequency Interference) suppression
- Interface for a Teletype printer
- Fast tape storage
- A cheap add-on keypad
- High speed card readers, interfacing and documentation for the Model II.

NOTE: An \* denotes that we already have some suitable material on hand for this topic.

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# \*\*\*\* MICROBUGS \*\*\*\*

Vol. 3 Issue 2 Page 11 - The Theory and Techniques of Sorting - Part 3. There were some errors in the PASCAL Code used to illustrate "A RECURSIVE APPROACH". The corrected code for the procedure INSERTSORT is as follows:

```
(* MAIN PROGRAM BLOCK DECLARATIONS *.)
TYPE LIST=ARRAY(1..N) OF REAL;
     TABLE: LIST; L,U, POSITION: INTEGER; VALUE: REAL;
PROCEDURE INSERTSORT (VAR TABLE:LIST; FIRST,LAST:INTEGER);
VAR I: INTEGER; TEMP: REAL;
  PROCEDURE BÍNARYSEARCH (VAR TABLE:LIST; LOW, UPP:INTEGER;
                            VALUE: REAL; VAR POS: INTEGER);
  VAR MID: INTEGER;
    BEGIN
      IF LOW > UPP THEN POS:=LOW
      ELSE
            MID:=(LOW+UPP) DIV 2;
IF VALUE < TABLE(MID) THEN
                BINARYSEARCH (TABLE, LOW, MID-1, VALUE, POS)
            ELSE
                IF VALUE > TABLE(MID) THEN
                    BINARYSEARCH (TABLE, MID+1, UPP, VALUE, POS)
                ELSE
                     POS:=MID
          END
    END;
```

```
PROCEDURE BLOCKMOVE (VAR TABLE:LIST; L,U:INTEGER);
VAR I:INTEGER;
BEGIN
FOR I:=U DOWNTO L DO TABLE(I+1):=TABLE(I)
END;

BEGIN (* OF MAIN *)
FOR I:=2 TO N DO
BEGIN
IF TABLE(I) < TABLE(I-1) THEN
BEGIN
TEMP:=TABLE(I);
BINARYSEARCH (TABLE,1,I-1,TEMP,POSITION);
BLOCKMOVE (TABLE,POSITION,I-1);
TABLE(POSITION):=TEMP
END
END
END
```

The corrections were made in the following:

In Procedure BINARYSEARCH,

IF LOW>UPP THEN POS:=LOW instead of -1, because although the procedure was demonstrated as a search routine for a specific value, it needed a modification to allow it to be used in the insertion sort for determining the correct position (in sequence) of a value that may not be currently in the table.

In the Main Procedure block,

The second parameter used in the BLOCKMOVE call (U+1) should read POSITION, because this is the parameter as returned from the CALL to the BINARYSEARCH procedure. Same correction to the next line where TEMP is moved into that POSITION in the TABLE.

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***** BETTER BASIC PROGRAMMING - PART 7 by Rod Stevenson *****

** YET MORE ASSEMBLY **
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WHY SO MUCH ASSEMBLY?

The emphasis on assembly in these last three articles is not merely that I find it gives far greater satisfaction than BASIC, but that so much can be done in assembly, whereas BASIC is limited to that which is provided by the writers of the BASIC interpreter in ROM. Not to put down BASIC at all - I still use it for most of the "real" programming I do.

From the previous two articles and with what follows here, I hope you will share my enthusiasm for assembly, not only for the speed and because it's the only way to modify the operating system, but for the self-satisfaction in having got a job done efficiently.

LIST DISABLE.

```
00110 ;TO DISABLE SHIFT @, CSAVE, BREAK, LIST, SAVE, LLIST
               00120 ; DISABLED COMMANDS MAY BE ALTERED IN TABLE FROM LINE 870
               00130;
               00140 ;
                            BY E. R. PAAY
               00150 ;
                            FOR R. STEVENSON
               00160 ;
                            24-8-1980
               00170 ;
               00180 ; NOTE : SHIFT A = SHIFT D, SHIFT B = BREAK
               00190 ;
                             AFTER THIS PROGRAM IS LOADED.
               00200 ;
4016
              00210
                             ORG
                                      4016H
4016 F142
              00220
                             DEFW
                                     START
                                                      ;SET NEW KB. VECTR.
42F1
              00230
                             ORG
                                      42F1H
              00240 ;
              00250;
                             DEFINE LABELS.
              00260 ;
40A7
              00270 BPDINT
                             EQU
                                     40A7H
06CC
              00280 BASIC
                             FOU
                                     06CCH
0080
              00290 DELIM
                             EQU
                                     80H
```

	AATAA ENDMON	FOLL	OFFU	
00FF	00300 ENDMRK 00310 KBSCAN	EQU EQU	OFFH 3E3H	
03E3	00320 ;	LWO	SEST	
	00330 ;	START O	F PROGRAM.	
	00340 ;			
42F1 CDE303	00350 START	CALL	KBSCAN	;SCAN KEYBOARD
42F4 FE65	00360	CP	65H	;SHIFT E ?
42F6 2841	00370	JR	Z,ENTER	
42F8 FE62	00380	CP	62H	;SHIFT B ?
42FA 2811	00390	JR	Z,BREAK	-CUIET A 2
42FC FE61 42FE 2810	00400	CP JR	61H Z,SHFTAT	;SHIFT A ?
4300 FEOD	00410 00420	CP	ODH	:ENTER ?
4302 280F	00430	JR	Z,CHKBUF	, LITTER .
4304 FE01	00440	CP	01H	;BREAK ?
4306 2803	00450	JR	Z, IGNORE	
4308 FE60	00460	CP	90H	;SHIFT @ ?
430A CO	00470	RET	NZ	
430B AF	00480 IGNORE	XOR	A	
430C C9	00490	RET		; IGNORE KEY ENTRY.
430D 3E01	00500 BREAK	LD	A, 1	; BREAK !
430F C9	00510	RET	A 40H	;SHIFT a !
4310 3E60 4312 C9	00520 SHFTAT 00530	LD RET	A, 60H	, SITTI W .
4313 D9	00540 CHKBUF	EXX		;SAVE REGISTERS
4314 ED5BA440		LD	DE. (40A4H)	,
4318 AF	00560	XOR	A	
4319 67	00570	LD	Н,А	
431A 2E53	00580	LD	L,TABLE-START+8	
431C 19	00590	ADD	HL,DE	
431D EB	00600	EX	DE, HL	
431E 2AA740	00610 LOOP1	LD	HL, (BPOINT)	GET BUFFER ADDRESS
4321 2B	00620	DEC	HL 1011	- FIND FIRST CHARACTER
4322 D7	00630	RST	10H A,(DE)	;FIND FIRST CHARACTER :GET CHARACTER
4323 1A 4324 13	00640 LOOP2 00650	LD INC	DE	BUMP POINTER
4325 B7	00660	OR	A	, Don Torrier
4326 FACC06	00670	JP	M, BASIC	; IF MINUS REINIT. BASIC
4329 BE	00480	CP	(ĤL)	; COMPARE CHARACTERS
432A 23	00690	INC	HL	;BUMP POINTER
432B 28F6	00700	JR	z,LOOP2	GET NEXT CHARACTER
432D 1A	00710 L00P3	LD	A, (DE)	
432E 13	00720	INC	DE	- FIAD NEVT ENTEV
432F FE80	00730	CP	80H	;FIND NEXT ENTRY : IN TABLE
4331 20FA 4333 1A	007 <b>4</b> 0 007 <b>5</b> 0	JR LD	NZ,LOOP3 A,(DE)	; IN TABLE
4334 FEFF	00760	CP	ENDMRK	;END OF TABLE MARKER ?
4336 20E6	00770	JR	NZ,LOOP1	,
4338 D9	00780	EXX	•	;RESTORE REGISTERS
4339 3EOD	00790 ENTER	LD	A,ODH	;PUT ENTER CODE BACK IN A
433B C9	00800	RET		; DONE
	00810 ;			E AC MANY ENTERING AC
				E AS MANY ENTRIES AS
				E SEPARATED WITH A ZERO AKE BASIC IGNORE ANY
			INED IN THIS TABL	
	00860 ;	TAD CONTIN	ines in into inse	·
433C 4C	00870 TABLE	DEFM	'LIST'	
4340 80	00880	DEFB	DELIM	
4341 4C	00890	DEFM	'LLIST'	
4346 80	00900	DEFB	DELIM	
4347 43	00910	DEFM	'CSAVE'	
434C 80	00920	DEFB	DELIM	
434D 53 4351 80	00930 00940	DEFM DEFB	'SAVE' DELIM	
4352 FF	00740	DEFB	ENDMRK	END OF TABLE MARKER.
06CC	00760	END	BASIC	,

This is the source code for the BASIC routine presented last time to disable BREAK, LIST, and others. As you see from the comments, any other commands may be added to the table as required.

The whole basis of the program is that it intercepts the keyboard scanning routine normally provided by the operating system. This is accomplished by an address being given to 4016H, so that the operating system will go through this new routine each time it scans the keyboard instead of doing its own normal routine.

Having jumped into this new routine, a ROM routine is used to get the value of any key pressed, then to check it as noted in the comments. If it's none of the new operators provided, it just returns to the usual system. But if it is, it goes through the program and checks the keyboard buffer contents against the table provided.

Two items contained in this program you'd be unlikely to know without Eddy Paay's ROM Reference Manual - that 4016H is the address to be used to set a new keyboard vector, and a CALL to 3E3H will provide the results of a keyboard scan in the A register.

BREAK-handling.

As mentioned in the first article, there are some simple POKE methods for disabling the BREAKkey - as well as the routine above. However, they all require knowing that the BREAK-key will force a jump to 400CH (16396 decimal). If you have a disk system, TRSDOS will have put an address there to make the BREAK-key the method of jumping to DEBUG. From which it follows that you can also put something there to provide your own handling of the BREAK-key. Other systems have a statement of ON BREAK GO TO, but we can simulate this quite easily.

Normally, level II will have a 101 (RET) at 16396. And I use decimal here because you will probably be doing these modifications from BASIC, when you require a decimal address. Which means it will just return with whatever is in the A register (the ROM Reference Manual tells you A holds the result of the keyboard scan). So this leaves the way open for us to operate on the A register before it gets back! You will remember that I suggested in the first episode that you could simply POKE 16396,23 to disable the BREAK-key in level II. This is, in effect, rotating the accumulator left (23 decimal = 17H = RLA) which means it no longer holds 1 (the value of the BREAK-key), and it will RETurn on encountering the 201 (= RET) that level II has at 16400. But you will also remember I suggested that this is a bit simple - and it won't work for a disk system. If you zero the accumulator (by POKEing a value to do so, 151 = 97H = SUB A, or 175 = AFH = XOR A, into 16396, then a 201 (= C9 = RET) into 16397, can you see that this is the better alternative? is the better alternative?

Yes, I know NEWDOS has the BREAK-on/off facility, and you may say "why bother to POKE?" The reason is that (I hope) you've learned something.

10 ON ERROR GOTO 32700 'TELLS WHERE TO GO WHEN AN ERROR IS DETECTED 20 POKE 16396,195: POKE16397,49: POKE 16398,40 'TELLS BREAK-KEY WHI 26 R=45/0 'DEMONSTRATES A DDIVIDE BY ZERO ERROR 27 RERE 'DEMONSTRATES A SYNTAX ERROR 'TELLS BREAK-KEY WHERE TO GO

30 PRINT" PRESS BREAK-KEY TO STOP THIS ";:GOTO30 'THIS IS ONLY A DEMONSTRAT ION LINE

32700 IF ERR/2+1=12 THEN PRINT:PRINT:PRINT "BREAK-KEY WAS PRESSED: PRESS BREAK-K EY AGAIN TO STOP PROGRAM NOW OR PRESS ENTER TO CONTINUE";: 'HANDLES BREAK-KEY INPUTA: RESUME

32710 PRINT:PRINT"ERROR"ERR/2+1; "HAS OCCURED IN LINE"ERL; ": PRESS ENTER TO CONTI NUE ";: INPUTA: RESUME NEXT 'HANDLES ANY ERROR

This is another method of handling BREAK. And this, in effect, provides a function of "ON BREAK GO TO". It's not as neat as could be done by assembly, but does illustrate another approach.

The whole idea is that the BREAK-key will simulate an ID error, which will not normally occur in the RUN mode. So when one does, it can only be because BREAK has been pressed.

The BREAK-handling address (16396-9) has POKEd into it the address of the ID error entry point - yet again found from the ROM Reference Manual. So if we do nothing more, BASIC will stop and provide a message "ID ERROR IN LINE X". But to prevent this, we make use of the ON ERROR GO TO function. Incidentally, I don't favour general use of this function, as I believe your program should be fully debugged before you let it go! (I cannot agree with Rod in this. There is nothing more annoying in an applications program if, through gross operator error, the program crashes, for the user to see an error message generated by the BASIC interpreter such as OV error or OM error. Far better for the program to resume control and instruct the operator what to do next. - Ed.)

To explain the program.

tells the ON ERROR routine where to GO TO.

Line 20 puts the entry point of ID ERROR routine into the BREAK-handling routine in the operating system.

Lines 26, 27, 32710 are just added in this example to show that the routine will handle otherwiseoccurring errors too - though as I wouldn't expect your program to have any, these lines would of course be unnecessary!

Lines  $3\emptyset$  and  $327\emptyset\emptyset$  are the real "bones" of the program, and allow for continued pressing of BREAK as a demonstration.

Of course, this is just an example routine. Your real program would have only lines 10, 20, 32700 as well as the whole of its real working code. And these line numbers are such for this very reason - lines 10 and 20 are necessary right at the start of the program to tell it where to go to. Line 32700 would be replaced by a subroutine at the end of your program to do what you actually want to do when the BREAK-key is pressed. An obvious thing is to close disk files before exiting from the program. Or perhaps you'd want to allow only one pressing of BREAK in your program by disabling it in line 32700 after the first press, then return to the program. Or perhaps you will have given an instruction not to press the BREAK-key, and take some action if the operator does press the BREAK-key after your instruction not to. As usual with computing, the possibilities are limited only by the imagination.

In fact, all the routines presented in this series are intended only to provoke thought - and to use in your own programs. As I keep saying, the way to learn and understand is to use these ideas for yourself.

### SOUND.

14 T=90:GOTO16 15 T=102:GOTO16

The whole basis of the simple sound routine found in many programs is that to record onto tape, the '80s PORT 255 is used to send positive or negative voltages to the cassette.

System 80s can use the second cassette by enabling bit 2 of PORT 254 which acts as a switch to change from the on-board cassette, so sound will still come down the AUX line to the second cassette. All that is necessary is to put an instruction at the start of the program to OUT 254,4 and this will be effective throughout the whole program until you go back to BASIC and get the READY message again. This also works in machine language programs, so if you modify the many sound programs by adding machine language code for OUT 254,4 at the entry point (move the entry point if necessary), the sound will stay with you. No, it's not hard. I added the necessary 4 bytes to the "BIG FIVE" game "Attack" and can tell you that's all that is necessary. However, a better way is a hardware modification to get the sound directly from the board, which will give a far better tone than even the TRS-80's AUX line does without any modifications.

7F00	00100	ORG	32512
7F00 CD7F0A	00110 ENTRY	CALL	0A7FH ;GET VALUE FROM USR(0) IN BASIC
7F03 0E8C	00120	LD	C,140 ;LENGTH OF NOTE (= TIMES CYCLE REPEA
7FOA 10FE	00130 REPEAT	LD	B,L ;VALUE FROM USR(0), CAN BE 0-255
	00140	LD	A,1H ;VALUE FOR POSITIVE VOLTAGE
	00150	OUT	(OFFH),A;SEND PULSE OUT PORT
	00160 HIVOLT	DJNZ	HIVOLT ;DELAY FOR NUMBER CYCLES IN USR(0),
= PITCH 7FOC 45 7FOD 3EO2 7FOF D3FF 7F11 10FE 7F13 0D 7F14 20EF 7F16 C9 7F00	00170 00180 00190 00200 LOVOLT 00210 00220 00230 00240	LD LD OUT DJNZ DEC JR RET END	B,L ;VALUE FROM USR(0) A,2H ;VALUE FOR NEGATIVE VOLTAGE (OFFH),A;SEND PULSE OUT PORT 255 LOVOLT ;DELAY C ;AFTER ONE WHOLE CYCLE COMPLETED NZ,REPEAT;REPEAT 140 TIMES (VALUE IN C) ;BACK TO BASIC ENTRY

This is the simple sound generator program I presented at the end of the LIST disable routine in BASIC last article. The comments make the source code fairly self-explanatory. Because of the speed of machine code it has been necessary to incorporate delays into the program. Even so, the speed required is too high for a program such as this to be written successfully in BASIC.

```
1 CLEAR150:FORI=1T072:READD:S$=S$+CHR$(D):NEXT:SL=PEEK(VARPTR(S$)+1):SM=PEEK(VAR
PTR(S$)+2):POKE16526,SL:POKE16527,SM:DATA205,127,10,203,124,40,4,34,28,65,201,34
,30,65: DATA219,255,31,31,31,47,230,248,95,58,57,65,254,4,32,2
2 DATA171,95,58,32,65,87,237,75,28,65,43,124,181,40,6:DATA221,227,221,227,24,12,
42,30,65,122,7,7,87,230,3,179:DATA211,255,3,120,177,32,228,123,211,255,201
3 INPUT"WHAT TYPE OF SOUND (1 TO 10)"; T
4 IFT<10RT>10THENPRINT"MUST BE BETWEEN 1 & 10":GOTO3ELSEONTGOTO6,7,8,9,10,11,12,
13, 14, 15
5 GOTO4
6 T=1:GOTO16
7 T=5:GOT016
8 T=6:GOT016
9 T=17:GOTO16
10 T=18:GOT016
11 T=22:GOT016
12 T=25:GOT016
13 T=86:GOT016
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12 (1.11 i) 1 (1.11 ii) 1 (1.11 i

- 16 POKE16672, T
- 17 INPUT"DURATION (1 TO 32767)";D:IFD<10RD>32767THEN17ELSED=D-32768:X=USR(D)
- 18 INPUT"PITCH (1 TO 100)";P:X=USR(P):R\$="":INPUT"DO YOU WANT TO REDEFINE TYPE"; R\$:IFLEFT\$(R\$,1)="Y"THEN3ELSEINPUT"DO YOU WANT TO REDEFINE DURATION";R\$:IFLEFT\$(

R\$,1)="Y"THEN17ELSE18

This is a more complex sound-generation program, but it still relies on the principle explained above (it must if it's to use the cassette port).

I won't attempt an explanation of this code - it's not exactly elementary. It has two arguments passed to the machine language routine which returns in the middle of itself, as well as one POKEd into fixed RAM. But a re-reading of Ron Sully's article - Sound Effects Revisited, in POKEd into fixed RAM. But a re-reading of Ron Sully's article - Sound Effects Revisited, in Issue 22 may make it clearer. What it does show though, is that our '80 is indeed capable of some wondrous things - but you already knew this from Ron's program. Going even further, and without the hardware provided by "Orchestra 80" there is a program called "Opera" which does as Ron suggests - uses the BASIC interpreter to produce such works as "The William Tell Overture". So with thought, experimentation, and perseverance, much is possible!

# A READER RESPONDED!

Being shocked, horrified, and disgusted at the gross inefficiency of my screen white-out routine presented two issues ago, a reader (Eddy Paay) has provided this code to do the same.

3FFF	00100 VIDRAM	EQU	3FFFH	;END OF SCREEN RAM
OOBF	00110 WHITE	EQU	OOBFH	CODE FOR SOLID GRAPHIX BLOC
K				•
	00120 ;			
7F00	00130	ORG	32512	
7F00 21FF3F	00140 START	LD	HL, VIDRAM	;POINT TO END OF SCREEN
7F03 36BF	00150 LOOP	LD	(HL),WHITE	;WHITE-OUT CURRENT SCREEN PO
SITION				
7F05 2B	00160	DEC	HL	;POINT TO NEXT (BACKWARDS) S
CREEN POSITIO	IN			
7F06 7C	00170	LD	A,H	;LOOK AT MSB SCREEN ADDRESS
7F07 E604	00180	AND	4	; IS SCREEN POINTER <3CH?
7F09 20F8	00190	JR	NZ,LOOP	; IF NOT, CONTINUE
7F0B C9	00200	RET	-	;FINISHED, SO RETURN TO BASI
C		_		
7F00	00210	END	START	

I think the comments make all clear - the only "fancy" bit is the ANDing of the MSB of the screenpointer to determine if it's past the start of the screen (having commenced at the end). As the screen starts at 3CDDH, it is convenient to be able to test that as soon as the MSB does not have CH as its low-order nibble (nibble = 4 bits, so high and low order nibble for each hex digit in a byte) the screen address is no longer pointed to.

So having got a response from a reader, I anxiously await more. MICRO-80 has already installed a bigger letterbox to hold them all, so don't let it go to waste.

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\*\*\*\*\* THE THEORY AND TECHNIQUES OF SORTING - PART 4 by B. Simson \*\*\*\*\*

The last article demonstrated some variations to the general method of sorting "by insertion". By now, you would be under the impression that sorting by insertion is a very popular sorting technique, if only for the number of different variations possible to the main theme. Some fairly efficient variations have emerged, all with their own advantages. However, all of these variations so far have one thing in common. They are all subject to the restrictions inherent in a linear, sequential data structure, the "array". You can only stretch an elastic so far, then it snaps...

# A NEW DATA STRUCTURE.

What we need is something of a different nature that allows for increased efficiency, without overbearing complexity. Before introducing this structure of different nature, examine one of the major disadvantages in all of the insertion sorts so far - that of item (element, or key) movement. Straight and multiple insertion required movement of individual items as they were ranked. Binary insertion required movement of items as a logical block when the insertion position was found. This is a necessary evil when dealing with insertions/deletions in a sequential data structual such as the straight "array". To avoid this type of movement, and still retain necessary ordering of items, a non-sequential data structure could be used - that of "linked" organization, commonly found in linked linear lists.

# LINKED LIST ORGANIZATION AND PROCESSING.

In order to understand its use in the insertion sort (the "list insertion" sort), a brief explanation of linked linear lists is offered. Elements of any kind that are logically adjacent (as items in a sorting array) need not be physically adjacent (as the physically adjacent cells in an array). These elements, known as "nodes", are logically linked by pointers. The first logical node in a linked list is defined by a special variable, known as the "head" of the linked list, which is itself a special node. The last element is denoted as such by the use of a special null value in its pointer field. Figure 1 illustrates the logical representation of such a data structure.

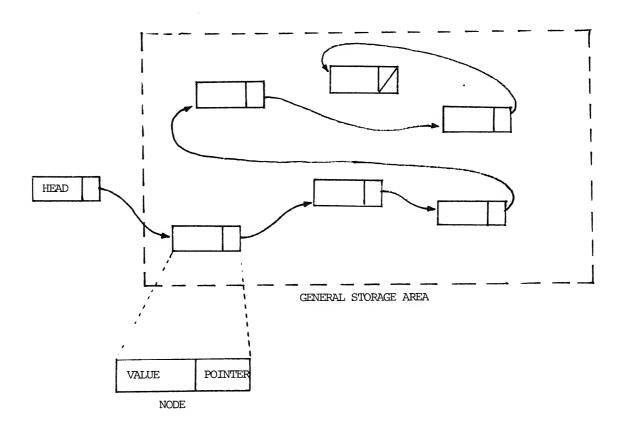


FIGURE 1 - General structure of a singly linked list.

However, unlike standard Pascal, and some other programming languages, BASIC does not support such dynamic linked structures, so arrays are used to simulate them. You may feel that to do so would be no better than the use of arrays in the straight insertion and binary insertion sort. However, this is not so, as is demonstrated below. To change the relationship of one item to another, at least one item, and usually many items, needed physical movement in a sequential data structure. To change the relationship of one item to another in a linked data structure, a maximum of only two pointers needs to be moved and no actual item (data) movements need occur. For example, in a sequential structure, insertion of an item at the third position of the structure requires the movement down of all items from the third position to the last. In a linked structure, insertion at the third position requires only the following:

- Pointer of second item moved to pointer of new;
- Address of new item moved to pointer of second item.

When inserting (or deleting) nodes from a linked structure, the address of the predecessor node to the candidate node for the operation is required. This is obtained by chaining through the structure, following the pointers. Now, this is much more efficient than the movement of masses of items in a sequential structure, especially if the number of items in a sort array is large. In fact, in a linked structure, after the predecessor node is located, the number of items in the sort array is irrelevant when changing the relationship between two items. The general operations of insertion and deletion are formally defined in the flowcharts in figure 2. An important assumption here is that the head of the list is located at row zero in the table. (Some programming languages do not allow element zero addressing). If the head is located in some other pointer variable, then the special cases of insertion of a node in an empty list (head contains null) or insertion in the first position in the list must be considered, as does deletion.

5. LH = 12 / .11 l

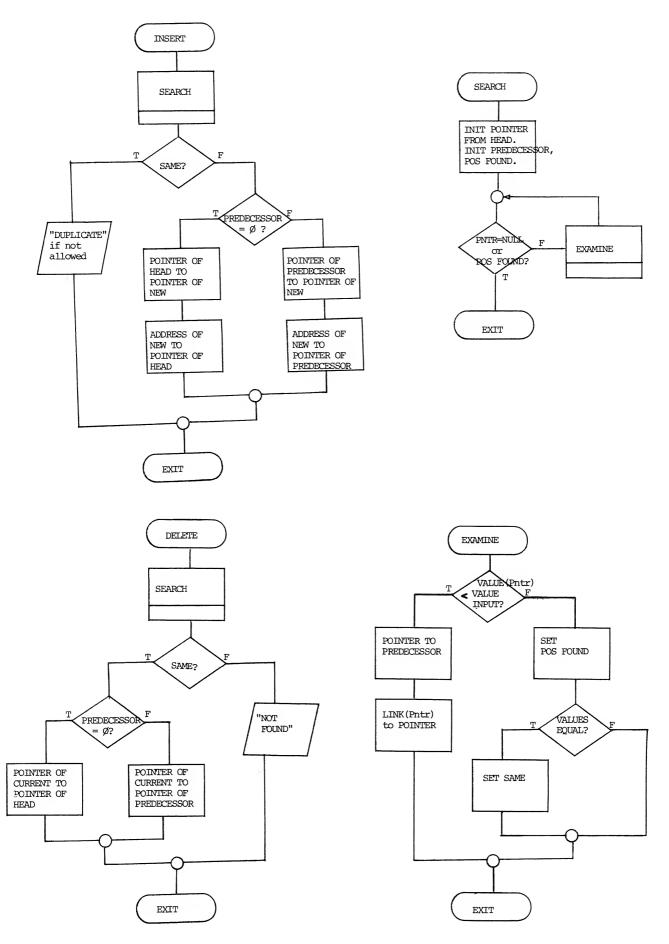


FIGURE 2 - General processing algorithms - singly linked linear lists.

Note: Pntr is an abbreviation for POINTER

APPLYING THE NEW DATA STRUCTURE.

In order to demonstrate the increased efficiency that this data structure can give to the insertion sort, some of the list processing algorithms in the flowchart need to be coded:

```
'Needed to route initial processing to driver.
1195 G0T02100
1200
                    Search
1250 PNTR=A(0,2):PRED=0:FOUND=FALSE:SAME=FALSE
     IF PNTR=0 OR FOUND THEN RETURN
     IF A(PNTR,1)≺A(AD,1) PRED=PNTR:PNTR=A(PNTR,2):ELSE FOUND=TRUE
1350
     G0T01300
1450
1500
     G0SUB1250
1550
     A(AD,2)=A(PRED,2)
1600
     A(PRED, 2) = AD
1650
1700 RETURN
```

The flag "SAME" in the flowchart is not required here, because insertions of duplicates in the list are allowed. Also, the list insertion sort does not do any deletion operations. Now that the essential list processing algorithms have been coded, the rest of the list insertion sort and driver follow:

```
1850 A(0,2)=0
                     'INITIALIZE HEAD.
     FOR AD=1TON
1900
      G0SUB1550
                     'LINK ITEM TO STRUCTURE
1950
      NEXT AD
2000
2050
      RETURN
2100
                     MAIN DRIVER
      'A()=LINKED LIST STRUCTURE, AS SIMULATED BY THE ARRAY
'PRED=ADDRESS OF PREDECESSOR NODE
2200
2250
      'FOUND=FLAG SET TRUE WHEN INSERTION POSITION FOUND
2300
      'PNTR=TEMPORARY POINTER VARIABLE
2350
      'AD-ADDRESS OF CURRENT ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION
2355
      'A(AD,1)=VALUE OF NEW ITEM TO BE INSERTED
2360
2370
2380
      DEFINTA-Z
      CLS:INPUT"NUMBER OF ITEMS FOR SORTING"; N:IFN <1THEN2400
2400
      DIMA(N.2):TRUE=-1:FALSE=0:RANDOM
2450
      PRINT"LIST BEFORE SORT:"
2500
      FORI=1TON
2550
      A(I,1)=RND(1000):A(I,2)=0:PRINTA(I,1);
2600
2650
      PRINT: INPUT"HIT ENTER TO START SORT"; I
2700
2750
      G0SUB1850
      PRINT"LIST AFTER SORT:"
2800
2850
      PNTR=A(0,2)
2900
      IF PNTR=0 THEN 3050
      PRINTA(PNTR, 1); : PNTR=A(PNTR, 2)
2950
3000
      G0T02900
```

SOME POINTS OF EXPLANATION.

2050

END

The initial unsorted data is placed in a 2-dimensional table rather than a one-dimensional array, because this is the structure needed to simulate the linked list.

The head of the linked list is located in row zero, with the point value in column 2.

The value of the null pointer is zero, since an address of zero is not valid for an item being sorted.

The method of displaying the results of the sort is not simply a sequential list of column l of the table, since no actual shifting of items occurred (they are still in the same physical sequence as before the sort). Rather, the results are extracted logically by following the logical relationship of the items as established by the link information of the pointers.

In short, this method of insertion sorting obviates the necessity of moving a potentially large number of items down to vacate a position for insertion of a new item. Instead, insertion of a new item is achieved by modifying the link information inherent in the data structure.

# YET ANOTHER VARIATION.

There is another variation of the insertion sort that has become popular, known as the Shell sort or diminishing-increment sort, developed by Donald Shell in 1959, and documented in the

A.C.M. Collected Algorithms, Algorithm 201. This algorithm is similar to the straight insertion sort, except that instead of comparing adjacent items, comparisons are made on items that are separated by an increment that diminishes with each pass. One version of this algorithm appeared in Tandy Newsletter Volume No. 9, May/June 1980, and is reproduced below, with modified driver and variable names.

A variation to this method of rearranging items in line 4180 (when an out of sequence situation has been detected) is known as Hibbard's modification. (A.C.M.) This states that X pair swaps (as above) can be substituted by one save, (X-1) moves and one insertion (of the saved item). This coincides exactly with the method of rearranging an item ranked in the straight insertion sort. It can be seen from this code that the diminishing increment (DI) in line 4120 starts at half of the list size, and diminishes by a factor of .5 for each successive pass. This has the effect of increasing the pass size in line 4140 from half of the list size to 1 less than the list size.

# MATHEMATICAL ANALYSIS.

The diminishing increment sort is among many other sorting algorithms whose efficiency approaches N\*(Log of N to Base 2). This sorting algorithm has been chosen to demonstrate that fact because the number of passes and comparisons in each pass can be easily seen. For instance, with a list size of 16, the number of passes = 4, because the DI (diminishing increment) starts at 8, and is modified to 4, 2 and 1. This means that the minimum number of comparisons in each of the passes are 8, 12, 14 and 15, as the pass size increases in the same proportion that the DI is decreasing. (These represent the minimum number of comparisons because when an out of sequence situation is detected, further comparisons and moves are made before continuing with the pass). In fact, the total number of passes involved (P) is related to the list size (N) through the relationship  $2^P = N$ . A list size of 32 requires 5 passes ( $2^5$ =32), i.e. pass sizes of 16, 16+8, 16+8+4, 16+8+4+2 and 16+8+4+2+1.

### DIMINISHING-INCREMENT SORT

Let n = total number of items being sorted

p = number of passes

c = number of comparisons

Since 
$$2^p = n$$
,  $p = (\frac{\log n}{\log 2})$  i.e. INT (LOG N/LOG 2)

C in Pass 1 = 
$$\frac{n}{2}$$

C in Pass 2 = 
$$(\frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{4})$$

C in Pass 3 = 
$$(\frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{4} + \frac{n}{8})$$

C in Pass P = 
$$(\frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{4} + \frac{n}{8} + ...)$$

$$= \begin{array}{c} p \\ \frac{n}{2^{1}} \\ i=1 \end{array}$$

This represents the summation of a geometric progression of general formula

$$\frac{A(1-R^N)}{1-R} \qquad \begin{array}{ll} \text{where A = first term} \\ R = common \ ratio} \\ N = n^{th} \ term \end{array}$$

In this case, 
$$A = \frac{n}{2}$$

$$R = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$N = Pn (Pass n)$$

Substituting, C in Pass Pn = 
$$\frac{n}{2} (1 - (\frac{1}{2})^{pn})$$
 =  $n(1 - 1/2^{pn})$ 

So, no. comparisons in any pass is given by formula

 $n(1-1/2^{pn})$  where Pn = Pass number.

$$C_{\text{total}} = n(1 - \frac{1}{2^{1}}) + n(1 - \frac{1}{2^{2}}) + \dots + n(1 - \frac{1}{2^{p}}) \text{ where } P = \text{total number of passes}$$

$$= n((1 - \frac{1}{2^{1}}) + (1 - \frac{1}{2^{2}}) + \dots + (1 - \frac{1}{2^{p}}))$$

$$= n(1 + 1 + \dots + 1 - (\frac{1}{2^{p}}))$$

The inner parenthesis also represents a summation of a geometric progression, where  $A = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $R = \frac{1}{2}$ , n = P.

Also, since the units have been extracted from each pass parenthesis, their sum must equal P.

Substituting 
$$C_{\text{total}} = n(P - \frac{\frac{1}{2}(1 - (\frac{1}{2})^P)}{\frac{1}{2}})$$
 )  

$$= n(P - (1 - \frac{1}{2^P}))$$

$$= n(P - 1 + \frac{1}{2^P})$$

Now as the number of passes (p) becomes large, -1 becomes insignificant, and  $2^p$  becomes huge, causing  $\frac{1}{2^p}$  to become insignificant.

Therefore C<sub>total</sub> approx. = n.P

Since 
$$p = (\frac{\log n}{\log 2})$$

Ctotal approx. =  $n \log_2 n$ 

That is, no. comparisons approaches the order of n  $\log_2 n$ .

SELECTION SORT.

This algorithm was discussed in the second article of this series. During the first pass, in which the smallest item was found, (n-1) items are compared. Therefore we can say that for the pth pass, (n-p) comparisons are required. Also, (n-1) passes are required.

The total number of comparisons (C) is therefore  $(n-1)+(n-2)+(n-3)+...+2+1 = {n-1 \choose n-p}$  where p represents the pass number.

p=1

This represents the summation of an arithmetic progression, of general formula  $\frac{n}{2}$  (2A+d(N-1)

where A = first term, d = common difference,  $N = n^{th} term$ 

In this example, 
$$A = (n-1)$$
  
 $d = -1$   
 $N = no.$  of passes, =  $(n-1)$ 

Substituting,

$$C_{total} = \frac{n-1}{2}(2(n-1) + -1(n-1-1))$$

$$= \frac{n-1}{2}(2n-2 -n+2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}n(n-1)$$

As n becomes large, -1 becomes insignificant. Therefore no. comparisons approx.  $\frac{1}{2}n^2$ , which is of the order of  $n^2$ . This is much less efficient than one to the order of n  $\log_2 n$ .

# TO SUMMARIZE.

Two further variations to straight insertion sorting were demonstrated; one using a data structure based on linked organization, using a linked linear list, the other involving comparison of items that are separated by a diminishing increment. It can be shown mathematically that the efficiency of this and like algorithms is greater than some of the more elementary algorithms discussed earlier, like the selection sort.

Well, this finalizes the discussion on sorting "by insertion", although this is by no means all there is to insertion sorting. There are many other hybrid algorithms that employ a mixture of techniques, endeavouring to obtain the best features of insertion, exchange, selection and merging techniques. Next month, a very efficient form of sorting by selection (more so than the Shell sort) will be discussed, due to the use of yet another kind of data structure.

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# NORTHERN AND WESTERN SUBURBS

Contact: Mr. David Coupe

Tel: (03)370 9590

MEETINGS: C.P.M. Oata Systems, 284 Union Road, Moonee

Ponds - Alternate Thursdays at 7 p.m.

# PENINSULAR GROUP

Contact: M.G. Thompson - (03)772 2674

MEETINGS: 2nd Tuesday of the month (except January)

at State College, Frankston.

# GEELONG COMPUTER CLUB

Contact: The Geelong Computer Club,

P.O. Box 6, Geelong, Vic. 3220.

MEETINGS: 2nd Thursday of the month at Tybar Engineering

Hampton Street, Newton.

# WESTERN AUSTRALIA

# PERTH '80 USERS' GROUP

Contact: C. Powell (09)457 6849

MEETINGS: 1st Tuesday of each month at 7.30 p.m.

in the Community Recreation Hall, Macdonald

Street, Yokine.

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# NATIONAL NATIONAL USERS' GROUP

Contact: Brian Pain, 40 High St. Stoney Stratford,

Milton Keynes.

# CO. OURHAM NORTH-EAST TRS-BO GROUP

Contact: Barry Ounn, B Ethick Tce. North Craighead,

Stanley, Co. Durham, DH9 6BE. Tel: 0207-30184

# COMPUTERTOWN UNITED KINGDOM (CTUK!)

Contact: Dave Tebbutt, c/o 14 Rathbone Place, London W1P 1DE

# \*\* NEW ZEALANO \*\*

# AUCKLANO

Contact: Ron Feasy Bus. 799 366 Home. 469 455

MEETINGS: 1st Tuesday of each month, 7.30 p.m. at:

NZ Solenoid Co. Ltd., 28 Kalmia Street, Ellerslie, Auckland.

# TANOY OWNERS PROGRAM & INFORMATION CO-OP.

Contact: Oerek Higbee, 12 Shelley Close, Ashley Heath, Ringwood. Tel: Ringwood 6720.

# NATIONAL NEWCASTLE PERSONAL COMPUTING SOCIETY

Contact: John Stephen Bone - 0632 770036

# 80LTON NORTH-WEST TRS-80 GROUP

Contact: The Secretary, North-West TRS-80 Users Group, 40 Cowlees, West Houghton, Bolton BL5 3EG.

# COMPUTERTOWN NORTH-EAST (CTNE!)

Contact: c/o 2 Claremont Place, Gateshead, Co. Tyne & Wear NE8 1TL. Tel: 0632-770036/643417/679119/559167

## EDUCATIONAL USERS' GROUP

Contact: Oave Futcher - Head Teacher,
Beaconsfield First & Middle School,
Beaconsfield Rd, Southall, Middlesex. England.

# WEST HERTS 80 USERS GROUP

Contact: Terry Bradbury, 20 Spruce Way, St. Albans Herts. Tel: PARK STREET 73663.

# **MICRO-80 PRODUCTS**

# DON'T BE HELD BACK BY AN ANTIQUATED DISK OPERATING SYSTEM

# **MOVE UP TO**

NEWDOS 80 \$149 incl. p&p

NEWDOS 80 is a completely new DOS for the TRS-80 SYSTEM 80. It is well-documented, bug free and increases the power of your system many times over. It is upward compatible with TRSDOS AND NEWDOS (ie TRSDOS and NEWDOS+ programs will run on NEWDOS 80 but the reverse is not necessarily so).

These are just a few of the many new features offered by NEWDOS 80.

- New BASIC commands that support variable record lengths up to 4095 bytes long.
- \* Mix or match disk drives. Supports any track count from 18 to 96. Use 35, 40, 77 or 80 track 5½ inch mini disk drives, 8 inch disk drives OR ANY COMBINATION.
- \* An optional security boot-up for BASIC or machine code application programs. User never sees "DOS-READY" or "READY" and is unable to "BREAK", clear screen or issue any direct BASIC statements, including "LIST".
- \* New editing commands that allow program lines to be deleted from one location and moved to another or to allow the duplication of a program line with the deletion of the original.
- \* Enhanced and improved RENUMBER that allows relocation of subroutines.
- \* Create powerful chain command files which will control the operation of your system.
- \* Device handling for routing to display and printer simultaneously.
- \* MINIDOS striking the D, F and G keys simultaneously calls up a MINIDOS which allows you to perform many of the DOS commands without disturbing the resident program.
- \* Includes Superzap 3.0 which enables you to display/ print/modify any byte in memory or on disk.
- \* Also includes the following utilities:
  - Disk Editor/Assembler
  - Disassembler (Z80 machine code)
  - LM offset allows transfers of any system tape to Disk file — automatically relocated.
  - LEVEL I Lets you convert your computer back to Level 1.
  - LVIDKSL Saves and loads Level 1 programs to disk.
  - DIRCHECK Tests disk directories for errors and lists them.
  - ASPOOL An automatic spooler which routes a disk file to the printer whilst the computer continues to operate on other programs.
  - LCDVR a lower case drives which display lower case on the screen if you have fitted a simple lower case modification.

# DISK DRIVE USERS ELIMINATE CRC ERRORS AND

TRACK LOCKED OUT MESSAGES FIT A PERCOM DATA SEPARATOR \$37.00 plus \$1.20 p&p.

When Tandy designed the TRS-80 expansion interface, they did not include a data separator in the disk-controller circuitry, despite the I.C. manufacturer's recommendations to do so. The result is that many disk drive owners suffer a lot of Disk I/O errors. The answer is a data separator. This unit fits inside your expansion interface. It is supplied with full instructions and is a must for the serious disk user.

# MPI DISK DRIVES HIGHER PERFORMANCE – LOWER PRICE

MPI is the second largest manufacturer of disk drives in the world. MPI drives use the same form of head control as 8" drives and consequently, they have the fastest track-to-track access time available — 5msec! All MPI drives are capable of single or double-density operation. Double-density operation requires the installation of a PERCOM doubler board in the expansion interface.

As well as single head drives, MPI also makes dual-head drives. A dual-head drive is almost as versatile as two single-head drives but is much cheaper.

Our MPI drives are supplied bare or in a metal cabinet — set up to operate with your TRS-80 or SYSTEM 80. All drives are sold with a 90 day warranty and service is available through MICRO-80 PRODUCTS.

# MPI B51 40 Track Single Head Drive. . . . . only \$349 MPI B52 40 Track Double Head Drive. . . . . only \$449

Prices are for bare drives and include p&p. Add \$10.00 per drive for a cabinet and \$60.00 for a power supply to suit two drives. 40 track drives are entirely compatible with 35 track drives. A 40 track DOS such as NEWDOS 80 is necessary to utilise the extra 5 tracks.

# OVER 800 KILOBYTES ON ONE DISKETTE! WITH MPI 80 TRACK DRIVES

MPI 80 track drives are now available. The B91 80 track single-head drive stores 204 Kilobytes of formatted data on one side of a 5½ inch diskette in single-density mode. In double-density mode it stores 408 Kilobytes and loads/saves data twice as quickly.

The B92 80 track dual-head drive stores 204 Kilobytes of formatted data on EACH side of a 5½ inch diskette in single-density mode. That's 408 Kilobytes per diskette. In double-density mode, the B92 stores a mammoth 408 Kilobytes per side or 816 Kilobytes of formatted data per diskette. With two B92's and a PERCOM double, you could have over 1.6 Megabytes of on line storage for your TRS-80 for less than \$1500!!

# MPI B91 80 Track Single Head Drive.....only \$499 MPI B92 80 Track Dual Head Drive .....only \$619

Prices are for bare drives and include p&p. Add \$10.00 per drive for a cabinet and \$60.00 for a power supply to suit two drives. Note: 80 track drives will not read diskettes written on a 35 or 40 track drive. If drives with different track counts are to be operated on the same system. NEWDOS 80 must be used.

# CARE FOR YOUR DISK DRIVES? THEN USE 3M's DISK DRIVE HEAD CLEANING DISKETTES \$30.20 incl. p&p.

Disk drives are expensive and so are diskettes. As with any magnetic recording device, a disk drive works better and lasts longer if the head is cleaned regularly. In the past, the problem has been, how do you clean the head without pulling the mechanism apart and running the risk of damaging delicate parts. 3M's have come to our rescue with SCOTCH BRAND, nonabrasive, head cleaning diskettes which thoroughly clean the head in seconds. The cleaning action is less abrasive than an ordinary diskette and no residue is left behind. Each kit contains:

- 2 head cleaning diskettes
- 1 bottle of cleaning fluid
- 1 bottle dispenser cap

# USE TANDY PERIPHERALS ON YOUR SYSTEM-80 VIA

SYSPAND-80 - \$97.50 incl. p&p

The SYSTEM-80 hardware is not compatible with the TRS-80 in two important areas. The printer port is addressed differently and the expansion bus is entirely different. This means that SYSTEM-80 owners are denied the wealth of economical, high performance peripherals which have been developed for the TRS-80. Until now, that is. MICRO-80 has developed the SYSPAND-80 adaptor to overcome this problem. A completely self-contained unit in a small cabinet which matches the colour scheme of your computer, it connects to the 50-way expansion part on the rear of your SYSTEM 80 and generates the FULL Tandy 40 way bus as well as providing a Centronics parallel printer port. SYSPAND-80 enables you to run an Exatron Stringy Floppy from your SYSTEM 80, or an LNW Research expansion interface or any other desirable peripherals designed to interface to the TRS-80 expansion port. Make your SYSTEM 80 hardware compatible with the TRS-80 via SYSPAND-80.

# PROGRAMS BY MICROSOFT

# EDITOR ASSEMBLER PLUS (L2/16K) \$37.50 + \$1.20 p&p

A much improved editor-assembler and debug/monitor for L2/16K TRS-80 or SYSTEM 80. Assembles directly into memory, supports macros and conditional assembly, includes new commands-substitute, move, copy and extend.

# LEVEL III BASIC \$59.95 plus \$1.20 p&p

Loads on top of Level II BASIC and gives advanced graphics, automatic renumbering, single stroke instructions (shift-key entries) keyboard debounce, suitable for L2/16K and up (Not Disk BASIC)

# ADVENTURE ON DISK \$35.95 plus \$1.20 p&p

This is the original ADVENTURE game adapted for the TRS-80. The game fills an entire diskette. Endless variety and challenge as you seek to rise to the level of Grand Master. Until you gain skill, there are whole areas of the cave that you cannot enter. (Requires 32K One Disk)

# BASIC COMPILER \$208 plus \$2.00 p&p

New improved version, the Basic Compiler converts Disk BASIC programs to machine code, automatically. A compiled program runs, on average, 3-10 times faster than the original BASIC program and is much more difficult to pirate.

# UPGRADE TO 16K FOR ONLY \$30.00!!

# MICRO-80's 16K MEMORY EXPANSION KIT HAS BEEN REDUCED IN PRICE EVEN MORE

Larger volume means we buy better and we pass the savings on to you. These are our proven, prime, branded 200 ns (yes, 200 nanosecond) chips. You will pay much more elsewhere for slow, 350 ns. chips. Ours are guaranteed for 12 months. A pair of DIP shunts is also required to upgrade the CPU memory in the TRS-80 — these cost an additional \$4.00. All kits come complete with full, step-by-step instructions which include labelled photographs. No soldering is required. You do not have to be an experienced electronic technician to instal them.

# DISK DRIVE CABLES SUITABLE FOR ANY DISK DRIVES

DC-2 2 Drive Connector Cable . . . . . . \$39 incl. p&p DC-4 4 Drive Connector Cable . . . . . . \$49 incl. p&p

# DOUBLE THE SPEED AND CAPACITY OF YOUR DISK DRIVES PERCOM DOUBLER ONLY \$220 plus \$2.00 p&p

Installing a Doubler is like buying another set of disk drives, only much cheaper!! The doubler works with most modern disk drives including:- MPI, Micropolis, Pertec, TEAC (as supplied by Tandy). The doubler installs in the TRS-80 expansion interface, the System-80 expansion interface and the LNW Research expansion interface in a few minutes without any soldering, cutting of tracks, etc. It comes complete with its own TRSDOS compatible double density operating system.

# DOUBLE-ZAP II — DOUBLE DENSITY PATCH FOR NEWDOS 80 DNLY \$53.00 plus \$1.00 p&p

If you are using NEWDOS 80, then you also need DOUBLE-ZAL on diskette. This program upgrades your NEWDOS of to-double density with ADR (automatic density recognism). It retains all the familiar features, including the about to mix and match track counts on the same capital in addition, it gives NEWDOS 80 the ability to mix difficies on the same cable, automatically. If you place single density diskette in drive 0, say and a double tensity diskette in drive 1, Double-ZapII will recognise this and read/write to drive 0 in single density which at the same time it reads/writes to drive 1 in double density!

# FLOPPY DOCTOR AND MEMORY DIAGNOSTIC (by MICRO CLINIC) \$29.95 plus 50c. p&p

Two machine language programs on a diskette together with manual which thoroughly test your disk drives and memory. There are 19 possible error messages in the disk drive test and their likely causes are explained in the manual. Each pass of the memory tests checks every address in RAM 520 times, including the space normally occupied by the diagnostic program itself. When an error occurs the address, expected data, and actual data are printed out together with a detailed error analysis showing the failing bit or bits, the corresponding IC's and their location. This is the most thorough test routine available for TRS-80 disk users.

# **BOOKS**

# LEVEL II ROM REFERENCE MANUAL \$24.95 + \$1.20 p&p

Over 70 pages packed full of useful information and sample programs. Applies to both TRS-80 and SYSTEM 80.

# TRS-80 DISK AND OTHER MYSTERIES \$24.95 + \$1.20 p&p

The hottest selling TRS-80 book in the U.S.A. Disk file structures revealed, DOS's compared and explained, how to recover lost files, how to rebuild crashed directories — this is a must for the serious Disk user and is a perfect companion to any of the NEWDOS's.

# LEARNING LEVEL II \$16.95 + \$1.20 p&p

Written by Daniel Lien, the author of the TRS-80 Level I Handbook, this book teaches you, step-by-step, how to get the most from your Level II machine. Invaluable supplement to either the TRS-80 Level II Manual or the System-80 Manuals.

# MORE AUSTRALIAN SOFTWARE

All programs designed to run on both the TRS-80 or the SYSTEM 80 without modification. Most programs include sound

# TRIAD VOL 1 - L2/16K Cassette \$10.95 Disk \$15.95 + 60c p&p

Three separate games which test your powers of memory and concentration. The programs combine graphic displays and

SIMON-SEZ: Just like the electronic music puzzles on sale for more than \$20. Numbers are flashed on the screen and sounded in a sequence determined by the computer. Your task is to reproduce the sequence, correctly.

LINE?: Rather like a super, complicated version of noughts and crosses. You may play against another player or against the computer itself. But beware, the computer cheats!

SUPER CONCENTRATION: Just like the card game but with more options. You must find the hidden pairs. You may play against other people, play against the computer, play on your own, or even let the '80 play on its own.

# TRIAD VOL 2 – L2/16K Cassette \$10.95 Disk \$15.95 + 60c p&p

Remember those "NUMERO" puzzles in which you had a matrix of numbers (or letters) with one blank space and you had to shuffle the numbers around one at a time until you had made a particular pattern? Well, SHUFFLEBOARD, the first program in this triad, is just this, except that the computer counts the number of moves you take to match the pattern it has generated - so it is not possible to cheat.

MIMIC is just like SHUFFLEBOARD except that you only see the computer's pattern for a brief span at the beginning of the game, then you must remember it!

In MATCHEM, you have to manoeuvre 20 pegs from the centre of the screen to their respective holes in the top or bottom rows. Your score is determined by the time taken to select a peg, the route taken from the centre of the screen to the hole and your ability to direct the peg into the hole without hitting any other peg or the boundary.

# **VISURAMA L2/16K** Cassette \$10.95 Disk \$15.95 + 60c p&p

Two programs which give fascinating, ever-changing patterns

LIFE is the fastest implementation of the Game of Life you will see on your '80. Machine language routines create up to 1200 new generations per minute for small patterns or up to 100 per minute for the full 128 x 48 screen matrix. Features full horizontal and vertical wraparound.

EPICYCLES will fascinate you for hours. The ever-changing ever-moving patterns give a 3D effect and were inspired by the ancient Greek theories of Ptolemy and his model of the Solar

# **EDUCATION AND FUN — L1/4K, L2/16K** Cassette \$10.95 Disk \$15.95 + 60c p&p

Written by a primary school teacher to make learning enjoyable for his pupils, there are five programs in both Level I and Level II to suit all systems:

BUG-A-LUG: a mathematics game, in which you must get the sum correct before you can move.

AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHY: learn about Australian States and towns, etc.

SUBTRACTION GAME: build a tower with correct answers. HOW GOOD IS YOUR MATHS? Select the function (+, -, or X) and degree of difficulty.

HANGMAN: That well known word game now on your computer.

Recommended for children from 6 to 9 years.

# COSMIC FIGHTER & SPACE JUNK - L2/16K Cassette \$10.95 Disk \$15.95 + 60c p&p

Both programs have sound to complement their excellent graphics. In COSMIC FIGHTER, you must defend the earth against seven different types of alien aircraft. It is unlikely that you will be successful but you will have a lot of fun trying!

You mission in SPACE JUNK is to clean up all the debris left floating around in space by those other space games. It is not as simple as it sounds and space junk can be quite dangerous unless you are very careful.

# **SPACE DRIVE L2/4K & 16K** Cassette \$8.95 Disk \$13.95 + 60c p&p

Try to manoeuvre your space ship through the meteor storms then land it carefully at the space port without running out of fuel or crashing. Complete with realistic graphics.

# STARFIRE AND NOVA INVASION L2/16K Cassette \$10.95 Disk \$15.95

+ 60c p&p

Both programs include sound to improve their realism.

STARFIRE seats you in the cockpit of an X-wing fighter as you engage in battle with the deadly Darth Vader's Tie-fighters. Beware of the evil one himself and may the Force be with you.

In NOVA INVASION, you must protect your home planet of Hiberna from the invading NOVADIANS. You have two fixed guns at each side of the screen and a moveable one at the bottom. Apart from shooting down as many invaders as possible, you must protect your precious hoard of Vitaminium or perish!

# AIR ATTACK AND NAG RACE - L2/16K Cassette \$10.95 Disk \$15.95 + 60c p&p

An unlikely combination of programs but they share the same author who has a keen sense of humour.

AIR ATTACK includes sound and realistic graphics. The aircraft even have rotating propellors! But they also drop bombs on you, so it's kill or be killed!

NAG RACE lets you pander to your gambling instinct without actually losing real money. Up to five punters can join in the fun. Each race results in a photo-finish whilst there is a visible race commentary at the bottom of the screen throughout the race. Happy punting!

# FOUR LETTER MASTERMIND L2/16K Cassette \$8.95 Disk \$13.95 + 60c p&p

There are 550 four-letter words from which the computer can make its choice. You have 12 chances to enter the correct word. After each try, the computer informs you of the number of correct letters and those in the correct position. You can peek at the list of possible words but it will cost you points. Makes learning to spell fun.

# MUSIC IV - L2/16K Cassette \$8.95 Disk \$13.95 + 60c p&p

Music IV is a music compiler for your '80. It allows you to compose or reproduce music with your computer that will surprise you with its range and quality. You have control over duration (full beat to 1/16 beat) with modifications to extend the duration by half or one third for triplets. Both sharps and flats are catered for as are rests. Notes on whole sections may be repeated. The program comes with sample data for a wellknown tune to illustrate how it is done.

# \*\*\* SAVE 00\$'s \* \* \* SAVE 00\$'s \* \* \* SAVE 00\$'s \* \* \* MICRO-80 EXPANSION INTERFACE \* \* \*

MICRO-80's expansion interface utilises the proven LNW Research Expansion board. It is supplied fully built up and tested in an attractive cabinet with a self contained power supply, ready to plug in and go. The expansion interface carries MICRO-80's full, no hassle, 90-day warranty.

Features include: • Sockets for up to 32K of memory expansion • Disk controller for up to 4 disk drives • Parallel printer port

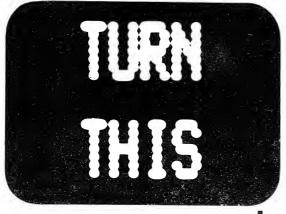
• Serial RS232C/20mA I/O port • Second cassette (optional)

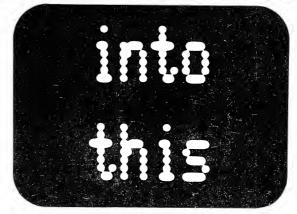
The expansion interface connects directly to your TRS-80 L2/16K keyboard or, via SYSPAND-80 to your SYSTEM 80VIDEO GENIE

Prices: HD-010-A Expansion Interfaces with Ø K: \$499.00 HD-010-B Expansion Interfaces with 32K: \$549.00 HD-011 Data separator fitted (recommended): add \$29.00, HD-012 Dual cassette Interfaces fitted: add \$19.00

The MICRO-80 Expansion Interface is also available in kit form.

Prices: HD-013 Kit consisting of LNW Research PC board and manual, ALL components including cabinet & power supply: \$375.00 HD-011 Data separator for above \$25.00 HD-013 Dual cassette Interface kit: \$15.00





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A choice of upper and lower case display is easier to read, gives greater versatility.

The Micro-80 lower case modification gives you this facility, plus the symbols for the 4 playing-card suits for \$49.00 + \$2.00 p. & p.

The Micro-80 modification features true below-the-line descenders and a block cursor.

Each kit comes with comprehensive fitting instructions and two universal lower-case drive routines on cassette to enable you to display lower case in BASIC programs.

The driver routines are self-relocating, self-protecting and will co-reside with other machine language programs such as Keyboard-debounce, serial interface driver programs etc.

Both programs give your TRS-80<sup>tm</sup> Model I or System 80<sup>tm</sup> an optional typewriter capability, i.e. shift for upper case

The second programme also includes Keyboard-debounce and a flashing cursor.
You fit it. Or we can.

Fitting the modification requires soldering inside the computer. This should only be carried out by an experienced hobbyist or technician.

If you are at all dubious, a fitting service is available in all capital cities for only \$20.00.

A list of installers is included with each kit.

# ADD A DISK DRIVE TO YOUR TRS-80 MODEL III **FOR ONLY \$875.00 OR ADD TWO FOR ONLY \$1199.**



The Micro-80 disk drive upgrade for the TRS-80<sup>tm</sup> Model III contains the following high quality components:

1 or 2 MPI 40-track single head disk drives, 1 VR Data double-density disk controller board and 1 dual drive power supply plus all the necessary mounting hardware, cables and comprehensive fitting instructions, which can be carried out with a minimum of fuss by any average computer owner.

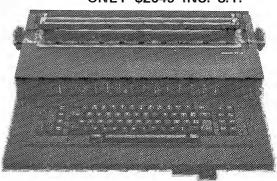
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# Daisy Wheel Typewriter/Printer

MICRO-80 has converted the new OLIVETTI ET-121 DAISY WHEEL typewriter MICRO-80 has converted the new OLIVETTI ET-121 DAISY WHEEL typewriter to work with the TRS-80 and SYSTEM 80 or any other microcomputer with a Centronics parallel port (RS 232 serial interface available shortly). The ET-121 typewriter is renowned for its high quality, fast speed (17 c.p.s.), quietness and reliability. MICRO-80 is renowned for its knowledge of the TRS-80/SYSTEM 80 and its sensible pricing policy. Together, we have produced a dual-purpose machine:-an attractive, modern, correcting typewriter which doubles as a correspondence quality Daisy-wheel printer when used with your micro-computer. micro-computer.

How good is it? - This part of our advertisement was typeset using an ET-121 driven by a TRS-80. Write and ask for full details.

ONLY \$2049 INC. S.T.



# BUY YOUR MODEL 3 FROM MICRO-80 AND SAVE \$000's



MICRO-80 fits reliable MPI disk drives to the TRS-80 Model 3 to give system capacities and capabilities far in excess of those available elsewhere. All our conversions utilise low dissipation, switching-mode power supplies to avoid screen jitter and overheating. The disk controller boards used incorporate special compensation circuitry for 80 track disk drives and may also be used to run 8 inch disk drives with an appropriate cable and DOS.

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2.40 TRACK SINGLE-HEAD DISK DRIVES GIVING 350K FORMATTED STORAGE, 48K RAM	\$3130
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2 40 TRACK DUAL-HEAD DRIVES GIVING	699EA
700K FORMATTED STORAGE, 48K RAM	<b>\$3350</b>
MODEL 380+	
2 80 TRACK DUAL-HEAD DRIVES GIVING	
1.4 MEGABYTE FORMATTED STORAGE, 48K RAM	\$3800
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# MODEL 500 — 5 + MEGABYTE MODEL 3

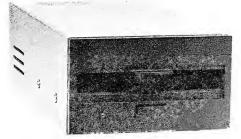
1 40 TRACK DUAL-HEAD DRIVE GIVING 350K OF FLOPPY DISK STORAGE FOR TRANSFERRING PROGRAMS AND BACKUP, 48K RAM, EXTERNAL 5 MEGABYTE WINCHESTER SUB-SYSTEM, CP/M (ORG 4200N) DISK OPERATING SYSTEM

\$5895

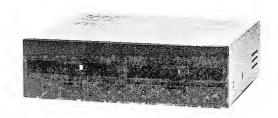
The MODEL 500 offers the high speed, mass storage capacity and reliability of a Winchester drive for thousands of dollars less than you would pay for any comparable system. Model 500 is a serious business computer able to tackle the most demanding tasks.

All prices are in Australian dollars, include Sales Tax and are subject to change without notice. Prices are FOB Adelaide. Add \$20 road freight anywhere in Australia. All computers and systems carry MICRO-80's 90-day Warranty covering parts and labour.

# SAVE A PACKET ON MICRO-80's DISK DRIVE PACKAGES FOR TRS-80 MODEL 1 AND SYSTEM 80 MICROCOMPUTERS







DUAL DRIVE PACKAGE from ... \$874

Bigger volume means lower cost price, which we are passing on to you. Avoid the annoying bundle of cables, wires and separate boxes. MICRO-80 is now offering our well-proven MPI disk drives in attractive, self-contained single or dual-drive cabinets complete with internal power supply. Our drive  $\emptyset$  and dual-drive packages also include the appropriate version of DOSPLUS and dual-drive cable.

# The best news of all is the specially reduced package prices ... SAVE \$23 — \$107 over our already low prices!

Choose the appropriate system from the table below:

DRIVE TYPE	No. of Tracks	No. of Heads	Capacity	Dosplus Version	Price	* Saving
DRIVE Ø						
1 x MPI B51	40	1	100K	3.3	\$499	\$77.95
1 x MPI B52	40	2	200K	3.4	\$639	\$97.95
1 x MPI B92	80	2	400K	3.4	\$799	\$107.95
DRIVE 1						,
1 x MPI B51	40	1	100K		\$415	\$23.00
1 x MPI B52	40	2	200K		\$525	\$23.00
1 x MPI B92	80	2	400K		\$695	\$23.00

<sup>\*</sup>Represents the saving compared with buying all the items included in the package separately

# If it's a dual-drive system you need, then take advantage of our dual-drive package and SAVE a further \$40 on the price of two single-drive packages ...

DRIVE TYPE	No. of Tracks	No. of Heads	Capacity	Dosplus Version	Price
2 x MPI B51	40 ea	1 ea	2 x 100K	3.3	\$874
2 x MPI B52	40 ea	2 ea	2 x 200K	3.4	\$1125
2 x MPI B92	80 ea	2 ea	2 x 400K	3.4	\$1454

Dual-drive package includes two bare disk drives, self-contained dual-drive cabinet/power supply as illustrated, two drive cables and the version of Dosplus indicated.

NOTE: All 40 track drives are completely compatible with 35 track operating systems such as TRSDOS. DOSPLUS allows you to realise an additional 14% capacity compared with TRSDOS. Under DOSPLUS 3.4, 80 track drives can read 35/40 track diskettes.

All disk drive components are still available separately:

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These kits require disassembly of your computer and some soldering. They should only be installed by someone who has experience in soldering integrated circuits, using a low power, properly earthed soldering iron. If you do not have the necessary experience/equipment, we will install the modification for you for \$20 plus freight in both directions. Make sure you arrange the installation with us first, before despatching your computer, so that we can assure you of a rapid turn-around. We are also arranging to have installers in each State. See elsewhere in this issue for their names and addresses.

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\*\*\*\*\* HOW TO USE THE TRS-80 LEVEL I ARRAY EFFECTIVELY by Otto Reberg \*\*\*\*\*

### **BEGINNERS:**

The level I array is very unusual. It has only one dimension and is automatically DIM'med to (MEM.ory/4-1) (Divide by 4 because each element occupies 4 bytes and subtract 1 byte which separates program and array). The following example shows an easy way to use the array:

10 LET A(1)=0 : LET A(2)=1 20 FOR I=3 TO 20 30 LET A(I)=A(I-1)+A(I-2) 40 PRINT A(I); 50 NEXT I

This program generates and prints the number sequence of Fibonnachi, in which the two first numbers are 0 and 1, and each of the following numbers are the sum of the two preceders. Let us analyse the program: In line 10, the two first numbers are put into A(). In line 30, A(I) is set to the sum of A(I-1) and A(I-2), and the result is printed in line 40. This is repeated several times (line 20 and 50).

### ADVANCED PROGRAMMERS.

You often have to use several arrays within one program. The solution to this is to divide A() into many pieces. Suppose you want to create three arrays, one with 14 elements, the second with 10 elements and the third with 20. You want to print the F'th element of each array. This is written:

PRINT A(F), A(14+F), A(14+10+F)

(Just remember to keep the index within the proper limits).

### EXPERTS.

If you are in need of a 2-dimensional array, also this can be done. You have an array (10,5) (i.e. having 10 rows and 5 columns) and want to know the value of (I,J). You then type:

PRINT A(5\*I+J)

By using the simple principles shown above, you are able to create rather complicated structures: You have an array (5,7,9), the elements from 0 to 20 in A() are already used, and you would like to put PI into (I,J,K). I suggest that you should express it this way:

LET A(20+9\*7\*I+9\*J+K) = 3.1415926

You should always be careful with these arrays, as they occupy large parts of your RAM. This one ate 5\*7\*9\*4=1260 bytes.

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\*\*\*\*\* TRANSFERRING TOUCHTYPE TO DISK

by G.F. Hilder \*\*\*\*\*

TOUCHTYPE is one of the more popular educational programs we have published on cassette. It does take a long time to load in all the lessons, however and for some time there has been a Readers' Request to publish instructions for transferring this program and its data files to disk. Mr. Hilder has accomplished this task and describes this procedure as follows.

# INSTRUCTIONS

- Load the TOUCHTYPE tape into the recorder and adjust the volume control to a suitable level. I advise you not to attempt the rest of the instructions until you are sure the tape will be read reliably.
- 2. Place the recorder in the playback mode and CLOAD the first program.
- 3. List the program to make sure the load was successful then type SAVE"TTYPE1/BAS".
- 4. Leaving the recorder in the play mode type NEW then type in and run the following program:-

1Ø CLEAR 1ØØØ

- 2Ø OPEN"O",1,"TTYPE3/TXT"
- 3Ø INPUT#-1,D\$
- 4Ø PRINT D\$
- 50 D\$=CHR\$(34)+D\$+CHR\$(34)
- 60 PRINT#1,D\$
- 7Ø CLOSE: END

The following message will be displayed and then saved on disk.

# ################### THANK YOU ###################

- 5. CLOAD the second program.6. Type SAVE"TTYPE2/BAS"
- 6. Type SAVE HITELIANS7. Load and run the following program.
- CLEAR 1000
- OPEN"O",1,"TTYPE4/TXT"
  INPUT#-1,A,B,D\$ 20
- PRINT A,B,D\$ 40
- D\$=CHR\$(34)+D\$+CHR\$(34) 5Ø
- PRINT#1,A,B,D\$ 6Ø
- 7Ø GOTO3Ø

You should see each block of data displayed on the screen and then saved to disk. The total time involved will be about 20 mins. but it is worth watching the proceedings to make sure that there are no data reading errors.

- With suitable changes to the input and print statements the above procedure would also allow the production of back-up tape copies.
  - 8. The following changes must also be made to allow the programs to run under Disk BASIC:
    - Type LOAD"TTYPE1/BAS"
    - Type 25 OPEN"I",1,"TTYPE3/TXT" (b)
    - Type 35 CLOSE (c)
    - Modify lines 30 and 80 to look like the following:-
      - 3Ø FORK=ØTO6ØØØ:NEXT:CLS:PRINT"THIS COURSE RELIES HEAVILY ON THE USE OF DATA STATEMENTS AND THE LOADING OF SUBROUTINES FROM DISK. PLEASE LEAVE YOUR DISK INSERTED. ":INPUT#1,D\$:PRINTD\$:
      - PRINT"READY"; CHR\$(34); "YOU SHOULD TYPE "; CHR\$(34); "RUN"; CHR\$(34); "AND PRESS ENTER YOU WILL THEN BE ASKED TO SELECT YOUR STARTING POINT. ";:FORT-ØTO1ØØØ: NEXT:CLEARØ:LOAD"TTYPE2/BAS:1"
    - SAVE"TTYPE1/BAS" Type
    - (f)
    - Type LOAD"TTYPE2/BAS"
      Type 75 OPEN"I",1, "TTYPE4/TXT" (g)
    - Modify line 80 to look like:-

8Ø ONERRORGOTO8Ø: INPUT#1,LL,C,TE\$:IFLN<LLTHENCLS:PRINT"REWIND IT PLEASE":GOSUB27Ø:CLS :GOTO8Ø:ELSEIFLL<>LNPRINT@256, "READING";LL,:GOTO8Ø

(i) Type SAVE"TTYPE2/BAS"

I also noticed an error in line 130 of my copy of TOUCHTYPE which resulted in the "0" being omitted from the keyboard display. The correct line 130 is shown below.

5% 6& 7' 8( 9)
";CHR\$(93)," ";CHR\$(92);" 2";CHR\$(34);" CLS:PRINT@384,STRING\$(64,131);" 1! 3# 4\$ I 0 Υ E R U W Τ

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\*\*\*\*\* DESCRIPTION OF THE FUNCTIONS PERFORMED BY THE EXPANSION INTERFACE - by Andrew Jack \*\*\*\*\*

The Expansion Interface for the TRS-80 performs five main user accessible functions:

- (1) A relay to provide two cassette ports.
- (2) A centronics parallel printer port.
- (3) A floppy disk controller and support circuitry.
- (4) Provision for an extra 32K of RAM.
- (5) 25ms interrupts (real time clock).

The relay which selects the cassette port is accessible through memory location 37E4H ( $143\emptyset8$ ), using POKE14308,0 cassette one is selected (normal), and POKE14308,1 selects cassette two. This function has more possibilities than are immediately obvious, for example, by shorting pins one and three on the Expansion Interface cassette input, and connecting a low powered circuit to pins one and three of cassette output port two, it is possible to close the connected circuit by a simple POKE143 $\emptyset$ 8,1 and open it with POKE143 $\emptyset$ 8, $\emptyset$ . Similar results can be obtained by using the relay inside the keyboard, but it is only suitable for very low power use and has a tendency to weld shut, and also to revert to open when in BASIC command mode.

The printer port is a straightforward centronics parallel port, driven by the LII ROM printer driver and simply transmits data when a READY status is shown in location 37E8H (14312). This location can be PEEKed to show whether a printer is connected, and if it is out of paper. If the value is less than 127, the printer is ready to roll. If it is 127 then the printer is out of paper. There is more information provided by this location, but it is not the same for every printer, so the best way is to experiment and find out the status checks for yourself.

The floppy disk control circuitry mainly consists of the Western Digital FD17718 floppy disk controller, which is detected by the Microsoft ROM's test routine and instructed to commence loading the Disk Operating System (DOS) if (BREAK) is not pressed to generate a forced jump to LII. The Expansion Interface then accepts the data and control information is passed to the floppy disk through the DOS.

The extra RAM is straightforward, simply being an extension of the keyboard RAM, with the exception of the more complicated addressing techniques made necessary by the limited number of pins on the card edge.

The 25ms interrupts are not used by LII and the interrupt routine automatically returns without doing anything. This useful feature of the Z-80 is, however, exploited to a small extent in TRSDOS, and to a larger extent by NEWDOS80 and other DOS's. In TRSDOS it is used for the real time clock, and in NEWDOS80 its full potential is used to check for the triple key depressions, and for the print spooler.

I own a 16K LII with lowercase and an E/I with 32K of MICRO-80 RAM, along with two Tandy drives and Microline 80 printer, and I have found that the Expansion Interface performs all these functions for what is quite a modest price, when compared with the expansion connectors for computers like the Apple and, with the exception of Tandy's \$220 for 16K RAM price tag (MICRO-80's RAM is faster and only \$30 for 16K), is good value.

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# **★ ★ SOFTWARE SECTION ★ ★**

\*\*\*\*\* SCREEN COPY UTILITY L2/m.l. - by N.J. Coleman \*\*\*\*\*

This program provides two extra BASIC instructions which enable a copy of the screen display to be stored, and recalled, at will.

The program provides these two commands:

- LSET to store an image of the screen.
- RSET to recall an image.

Both commands are reasonably self-explanatory.

Since the program is in machine language, it is very fast - instantaneous to the user. This makes it ideal for graphics and board game programs where a design must be redrawn constantly.

The program is very simple for a BASIC user. First set Mem Size to 31690 and then key in the program. Once the program has been RUN it may be deleted and the two new commands used in any BASIC Program. (Change Line 230 to 230 DELETE - 230)

For a machine language programmer this program is simplicity itself. All it does is:

- set up the LSET and RSET vectors and return to BASIC.
- (ii) upon the respective commands being used, either the screen memory is moved to a reserved portion of high RAM, or the reserved RAM is moved to the screen locations; all done using the LDIR command.

Since a LD is in fact a copy instruction, the original remains undisturbed and ready for continued use.

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# \*\*\*\*\* FLASHING MESSAGE ROUTINE L2/16K - by A. Park \*\*\*\*\*

If you have ever wanted to draw attention to a particular piece of information within a program when the screen is packed full of data, the answer is to make the important line(s) flash. This can be achieved by using BASIC statements. However, they waste a lot of memory, especially if you want to use the keyboard and flash the message at the same time.

This program flashes any one line message at a specific rate without being under BASIC program control. It might just be the finishing touch to make your programs more impressive, especially when you find that after typing BREAK, LIST and NEW, the message is still flashing. This makes it the ideal program to flash rude messages at your mother-in-law (as she won't know how to turn it off!)

Two commands have been included to allow the user to stop or start the program after it has been initialized. Typing KILL then ENTER/NEWLINE, whilst in BASIC, will stop the program and typing LOAD will re-initialize it. Disk BASIC users will obviously have to be content with continuous operation.

For those of you with good memories (no pun intended), a reasonable amount of the program should look familiar. The reason for this is that it is designed around Eddy Paay's Cursor Driver program, listed in MICRO-80's November issue, for the sake of simplicity.

The program is best entered via an editor/assembler for a number of reasons:

- The copyright messages will be printed whilst loading, thus indicating that the program is loading correctly.
- It is much easier to use a DEFM statement rather than to calculate the hex equivalent of each individual character.
- The program will run itself, without typing "/".

If the program is entered by an editor/assembler, ignore the first two columns of the LISTing and type in the source code, starting at line 110. The label VIDEO may be changed to position the message anywhere on the screen (the top line is most suitable due to linefeed action).

One word of caution - the first character of your message in line 1130 must not be a space as the message will not flash if this is done.

The program sets memory size by itself, as explained by Eddy in the MICRO-80 November issue and so it is not necessary to answer MEMORY SIZE? or READY?

Disk BASIC users should use location  $4\emptyset49H$  for TOPMEM and delete lines  $38\emptyset$  to  $49\emptyset$  inclusive and lines 1190 to 1290.

The program may also be entered via a monitor. BMON would not be suitable here without the addition of a block move routine, described in the September 1980 issue of MICRO-80. ZMON L from the MICRO-80 Software Library would be suitable. In this case, the object code should be entered directly starting at location 7EE5H by entering F3 then 21, 0C etc. Locations 7F71H to 7FB0H must be filled with the HEX equivalent of the ASCII characters to be used in your message, e.g. in the example given, the first character is "=" whose ASCII code in HEX is 3D (61 in decimal). The first character must not be a space (or 20H) and all of the locations should be filled so that one complete line is printed. Locations 7FB2H to 7FFIH must all be filled with 20H's so that the provious massage is wined out. If all goes well were should finish at location 7FFIH. that the previous message is wiped out. If all goes well, you should finish at location 7FFEH after typing in OSH. Punch out a tape with the following parameters:

START = 7EE5HEND = 7FFEH ENTRY = 7EE5H

The message is embedded in the machine code from address 7F71H to 7FB0H. To change the message, it would normally be necessary to alter the source code and reassemble. If you include the following lines of BASIC code in your own BASIC program, then you may change the message at will. You may even change the message which flashes at different stages of your program and shift it around the screen using the POKES shown. in Line 320.

100 X\$="THIS IS THE MESSAGE YOU WANT TO FLASH. MUST BE 64 CHARACTERS LONG, PAD WITH SPACES IF NECESSARY" 110 FOR X=0 TO 63

- 120 POKE 32625+X, ASC (MID\$(X\$, X+1,1))
- 130 NEXT X
- 140 REM THE FOLLOWING CODE WILL ALLOW YOU TO SELECT THE LINE ON THE SCREEN IN WH
- ICH YOUR MESSAGE WILL BE DISPLAYED.
- 150 INPUT "LINE NO. REQUIRED (1-16)"; LN: IF LN<1 OR >16 THEN 150
- 160 ADDRESS=LN\*64+15296:LSB=ADDRESS AND 255:MSB=INT(ADDRESS/256)
- 170 POKE 32557, LSB: POKE 32558, MSB:
  - POKE 32569, LSB: POKE 32570, MSB:
  - POKE 32596, LSB: POKE 32597, MSB

The BASIC program which is LISTed after the machine language source code is used to change the flash rate of the message if desired. Rates of less than 100 tend to make the display a little hard to read due to keyboard scanning. Both programs do NOT have to be in the computer at the same time as the flash rate is set to a default value of 592(Dec) by the machine language program.

# \*\*\*\*\* LONGVARS L2/48K - by R.T. Worley \*\*\*\*\*

One of the limitations of the MICROSOFT BASIC used in '80 microcomputers is the restriction placed on variable names. It can be very helpful when writing a program to use meaningful words as variables, such as LENGTH or WIDTH or perhaps MIDDLE. These words make the program logic much easier to follow and the BASIC code is, to an extent, self-documenting. This approach is possible on the TRS-80 but with two important restrictions. The variable name must not contain any reserved words such as LEN and MID in the examples above, and the interpreter recognises only the first two letters of the variable name. This means that the first two letters in each long variable name used must differ from all others. In practice, these two limitations are so restricting that only the most intrepid programmers use long variable names in all but very small programs.

LONGVARS overcomes these limitations. You may use whatever names you wish, such as BECOS (includes a reserved word), and AARDVARK and AARDVOLF (to represent different variables), and COUNT OF WORDS (includes blanks). The only restriction is that variable names starting with a reserved word must be followed by a type flag (!,#,\$, or %).

When you have written your program, and it is in memory (and a spare copy saved!) load and run LONGVARS. It will process your program systematically altering all variable names so that different variables have different one- or two-letter names. Variable types are preserved. However all statements defining variable types must occur in the program before any variable is used (and it is preferable to type CLEAR (ENTER) before running LONGVARS to reset the variable type table to the default value of single precision).

LONGVARS may also be used to change the names of specified variables only, or to produce a cross-reference of all variables (or specified variables only) in a program. It has an option of adding type flags to all variables, and another option of not using single letter variable names (always using double letter names may reduce variable access time by up to 5%).

The program produces its listing on either printer or video. Video output may be halted by pressing any key, and restarted by pressing a different key.

The source code runs to over 20 pages so is, unfortunately, too long to reproduce in the magazine. Instead, a hex dump has been printed. Enter the hex listing using a suitable monitor such as BMON ( Issues 3, 4 and 5 ) or ZMON (from the MICRO-80 Software Library - Vol 1). The code is 2836 bytes long, starting at F400, finishing at FF14 with an entry point at F9A4. Should you require a hard copy listing of the source code, a photocopy is available from MICRO-80 for \$5.00 including postage. A dump of the source code is included on both the monthly cassette and disk. Line numbers mentioned in the remainder of these instructions refer to the source code.

The value of 100 loaded into register BC in line 1120 is to allow room for program expansion. This may be altered to a larger value if required, though expansion will only occur when processing a normal BASIC program extending variable names to two characters and/or adding type flags.

The following is a brief description of how LONGVARS works. After first finding out what you wish to do, it scans the BASIC program in memory looking for variables. Whenever it finds one it scans the table of variables it has already found (or you have entered) for a match. If there is a match it adds the line number to its table and continues. If there is no match it adds the name and the line number to its tables (unless specified variables only are being handled). During this phase a graphics character at the top of the screen will wiggle to indicate each new line scanned.

In the next phase the tables will be scanned and the variables listed (for a cross reference), new names will be allocated and listed if required, and the lines in which the variable occurs will be listed. An unusual feature is that names are allocated in decreasing frequency of occurrence, in order that space may be saved when allowing single letter names.

In the final phase (if required) the program is scanned again and the old variable names replaced by the new names. Once again, the graphics byte wiggles to confirm that the program is working. When loaded the program displays the following menu:-

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B...RETURN TO BASIC
C...COMPLETE RENAME OF VARIABLES
S...SPECIFIED VARIABLE RENAMING
X...CROSS REFERENCE ONLY
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Typing "B" simply returns you to BASIC leaving the amended program intact in memory. Type "C" and LONGVAR will display:-

ENTER VARIABLE NAMES THAT YOU WISH TO DECLARE, IE. ALL NAMES THAT INCLUDE RESERVED WORDS. THE TYPE BYTE MUST BE INCLUDED. PRESS ENTER AFTER EACH ONE ENTER "\*" TO TERMINATE

You should now type in any variable names that you have used that included reserved words, i.e.

FORK\$ (this contains the reserved word FOR)

STIFF! (this contains the reserved word IF). Note also the inclusion of the type byte, even if the variable appears in your program as STIFF it must be identified for LONGVAR

as STIFF!

The program will then ask you:-

PRESS "Y" IF YOU SPECIFIED ANY VARIABLES STARTING WITH RESERVED WORDS, ELSE ANY OTHER KEY

Using the examples of STIFF! and FORK\$, the answer would be "Y" as FORK\$ starts with a reserved word. The next prompt from the program asks:-

PRESS "T" TO SET ALL VARIABLES WITH TYPE DECLARATION FLAG ELSE PRESS ANY OTHER KEY

THis will simply add a type flag to all variables. A note of caution here: if your lines already contain the maximum number of characters your program could be scrambled. Always SAVE your program first.

The next prompt from the program is:-

PRESS "S" TO ALLOW SINGLE LETTER NAMES, ELSE ANY OTHER KEY

If you type "S" then LONGVAR will replace all your variable names with single letter names, i.e. A,B,C,D,E,F,G etc. if you type any other key then LONGVAR will use double letter names, i.e. AA,BB,CC,DD,EE,FF,GG etc.

The last question asked by this section of the program is:-

PRESS "V" TO SET VIDEO OUTPUT, ANY OTHER KEY FOR PRINTER

Depending on your response, the display will either go to the VDU or the printer. After that question has been answered, the program will start renaming your variables listing the original variable name, the name it has been changed to and the line numbers where the changes were made. E.g.

VARIABLE STIFF! RENAMED TO A! IN LINE 70 80 90 105 VARIABLE FORK\$ RENAMED TO B\$ IN LINE 35 60 130 etc. etc.

While the renaming is taking place a graphic dot at the top left of the screen will wiggle anytime that the program appears inactive so as to show that LONGVAR is still alive.

The "S" function on the program menu allows you to rename specified variables whilst leaving the other variables in your program alone. When selected, the program will display:-

ENTER VARIABLE NAMES THAT YOU WISH TO ALTER, USING THE FORM VT=N(T), WHERE V(...V) IS THE OLD NAME, T IS THE TYPE BYTE AND N(...N) IS THE NEW NAME, PRESS ENTER AFTER EACH ONE ENTER "\*" TO TERMINATE

Using our previous example variables, they would be typed in exactly as follows:-

STIFF!=A! FORK\$=B\$

or if the old names had no type byte then you would type:-

STIFF=A! FORK=B\$

or

STIFF=A FORK=B

Remember though, if you use the last example, LONGVAR does not check or change DEF statements. So if at the beginning of your original program you had:- DEFSTR F\$ and you used the last example of:- FORK=B without type flags, then you should also change the DEF statement to DEFSTR B\$

When renaming starts the program will list the variables being changed, whilst wiggling the graphics dot previously mentioned.

VARIABLE STIFF! RENAMED TO A! IN LINE 10 VARIABLE FORK\$ RENAMED TO B\$ IN LINE 95 etc. etc.

The last function "X", in LONGVAR simply lists out all the variables in the program and the lines that they are in. The program provides the option for this listing to go to the VDU or the printer, e.g.

VARIABLE A! IN LINE 70 80 90 100
VARIABLE A\$ IN LINE 65 90 78 105
VARIABLE B\$ IN LINE 200 205 300 375

LOADING LONGVAR

With NEWDOS:-

Type BASIC, 62464

Load in the BASIC program to be worked on.

Type CMD"LONGVAR/CMD"

The LONGVAR menu will then be displayed and you can use the functions you require.

With TRSDOS

Type LOAD LONGVAR/CMD
Type BASIC
Answer MEMORY SIZE with - 62464
Load in the BASIC program to be worked on.
Type SYSTEM
In response to the next prompt type:/63908

The LONGVAR menu will then be displayed and you can use the functions you require.

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# \*\*\*\* THE MIND READER - by P.J. Smith \*\*\*\*

Is this Artificial Intelligence? or just computer trickery!!! Well you might be able to deceive your computer-illiterate friends or sceptical relatives. The mind reader is simple, fast and entertaining. Simply think of a number, the computer will show you several lists of numbers and will then ask you if you see the number you thought of. THEN it will stare at you very deeply and will tell you the number you picked and it's right EVERY time. The Mind Reader does not reveal his tricks, but you should be able to unravel the mystery by studying the program listing.

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# \*\*\*\*\* AUSTRALIAN INCOME TAX CALCULATOR L2/4K by D. Weaver \*\*\*\*\*

In Australia, every citizen is required to lodge a Taxation Return during the month of July each year, in which he or she discloses all earnings for the preceding financial year (July 1 to June 30). (Yes, we know there are exceptions but we don't need to go into that here). The Government, in its munificence, allows one or two minor items of expenditure as "deductions" (i.e. non-taxable). After identifying these, the taxpayer is then required to calculate his net taxable income and thence the tax which is payable from a table supplied. The majority of the population works for someone else and pays tax each week or month on a pay-as-you-earn (PAYE) scheme. These people complete an "S" (for Salaries and Wages) Income Tax Return Form. Having calculated how much tax he should have paid and knowing from the "Group Certificate" supplied by his employer, how much he has paid, the taxpayer then completes the form, sends it off and waits expectantly if the Taxation Department owes him money or, with great anxiety if the opposite is true.

Once upon a time, the Government always made sure that everyone overpaid under the PAYE scheme, thus everyone was entitled to a refund (often of several hundred dollars). Such a situation perpetrated by anyone else would, of course, be fair game for all the consumer protection authorities, etc. but passed with little comment except from a few "cranks". Indeed, from August on, one was treated to the curious sight of taxpayers rejoicing as they received back their own money which had been forcefully removed from them over the previous 12 months! This became a popular source of "mad-money" and many projects were financed by the refund cheques. Holidays were taken, new carpets purchased, even down payments made on new cars all from this windfall income. This made the annual preparation of the Income Tax Return a tedious but rewarding exercise. Then, suddenly, it all changed. The Government adjusted the PAYE rates so that they very nearly collected the exact amount of money due during the year and refunds became negligible in size. By now, our overseas readers will be making plans to move to Australia where we obviously have a uniquely honourable Government which is prepared to forego the interest-free use of hundreds of millions of dollars of its citizens' money, just to ensure that they are treated fairly.

Well, unpack your bags; the reason they did it was that it became fashionable for Governments to control (!) the economy via the money supply and, if you release hundreds of millions of dollars into the economy just when you are trying to hold things back, you no longer have control. To Governments, of course, control is far more important even than money, hence the money went.

All that is now left for Australia's taxpaying citizens then, is the annual tedium of completing their Income Tax Returns with little hope of reward. This program will reduce that tedium a little by assisting you to calculate just how much refund you should get or how much extra you will need to render unto Caesar. Overseas readers may find it interesting to compare their own rates of direct taxation with Australia's whilst those readers in the Middle East and other tax havens can reinforce the wisdom of their choice of domicile.

The following variables are used in the program.

LL = Lower Tax Limit

TD = Tax Dollar Payable on LL

TC = Tax Cents Payable on LL

GC = Gross Income from Group Certificate

OI = Other Income (apart from group certificate)

DD = Deductions

TI = Taxable Income

TP = Tax Paid

IT = Income Tax Payable

The Tax Scales themselves are contained in DATA Lines 410-440. These should be altered whenever the Tax Scales change. As an example, shown below are the Tax Scales in two financial years 1979/1980 and 1980/81 and the changes which would have been required in the DATA Lines.

# Tax Scales 1979/1980

Taxable Income	Tax on Taxable Income
From To	
\$ \$	
1 3893	NIL
3893 16607	NIL plus 33.07 cents for each \$1 above \$3893
16608 33215	\$4204.8505 plus 47.07 cents each \$1 above \$16608
33216 and over	\$12022.326 plus 61.07 cents each \$1 above 33216
	Tax Scales 1980/1981
1 4041	NIL
4041 17238	NIL plus 32 cents for each \$1 above \$4041
17239 34477	\$4223.36 plus 46 cents for each \$1 above 17239
34478 and over	\$12153.30 plus 60 cents for each \$1 above 34478
DATA Lines	DATA Lines
1979/1980	1980/1981
41Ø DATA 1, Ø, Ø	1 <b>, Ø,</b> Ø
42Ø DATA 3893, Ø, Ø.3307	4Ø41, Ø, Ø.32
43Ø DATA 166Ø8, 42Ø4.85, Ø.47Ø7	17239, 4223.36, Ø.46
44Ø DATA 33216, 12Ø22.236, Ø.61Ø7	34478, 12153.3Ø, Ø.6Ø

# ANALYSIS OF THE PROGRAM

The following shows the functions carried out by different parts of the program:

Lines 80-140	Ask for information to be input
210-230	Read in the TAX SCALES from the DATA in lines 410-440
260-280	Search the TAX SCALES for the Lower Tax Limit (LL) that
	is greater than the Net Income (TI)
29∅	Ensures that if Net Income is greater than last DATA line
	(44Ø) that this line is used
31Ø	Calculates the Tax Payable (IT) by going back one DATA line
32Ø	Prints Tax Payable
35Ø-37Ø	Print out Who Owes Who and how much
410-440	DATA lines which store the Tax Scales.

This program is correct for the 1980/81 Tax Year.

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00010 ;
                                           MESAGE
               00020 ;
               00030; THIS ROUTINE FLASHES A MESSAGE INDEPENDENTLY OF PROGRAM
               00040 ; CONTROL. MEMORY SIZE IS SET AUTOMATICALLY AND PROGRAM 00050 ; RUNS BY ITSELF IF ENTERED VIA AN EDITOR-ASSEMBLER.
                        PROGRAM IS DISABLED BY 'KILL' COMMAND IN BASIC AND
               00060 ;
               00070 ; ACTIVATED BY THE 'LOAD' COMMAND.
                        THE RATE OF FLASHING MAY BE ADJUSTED BY FOLLOWING
               00090 ; BASIC PROGRAM OTHERWISE IT IS SET TO DEFAULT VALUE.
               00100 ;
                              ORG
                                        3DCOH
3DC0
               00110
3DCO 2A
               00120
                              DEFM
                                        , * * * * *
                                                  FLASHING MESSAGE ROUTINE:
                                                                                     (C)
  JULY - 1981
                本本 本本。
3E00 20
               00130
                              DEFM
                                               0
                                                    BY : ANTHONY PARK , MIDDLE COVE
N.S.W 2068.'
               00140 ; PROGRAM FOLLOWS.
               00150 ;
                              ORG
                                       7EF5H
7EE5
               00160
               00170 ;
               00180 ; DEFINE LABELS :
               00190
               00200 BASIC
                              EQU
                                        06CCH
0600
03E3
               00210 KBSCAN
                              FOU
                                        03E3H
               00220 KBVEC
                                        4016H
4016
                              EQU
               00230 TOPMEM
                              EQU
                                        40B1H
40R1
0250
               00240 DELAY
                               EQU
                                        0250H
               00250 SP0INT
                              EQU
                                        40A0H
40A0
               00260 SETPTR
                                        1B6EH
1B6E
                              EQU
                               EQU
0020
               00270 SPACE
                                        0020H
               00280 VIDEO
                                        3COOH
3000
                              EQU
               00290 ;
               00300 ; INITIALIZE
               00310 ;
7EE5 F3
               00320 INIT
                               DI
7EE6 210C7F
                                        HL, START
               00330
                              LD
7EE9 221640
               00340
                              LD
                                        (KBVEC), HL
7EEC 2B
               00350
                               DEC
                                        HL
7EED 2B
                              DEC
                                        н
               00360
7EEE 22B140
               00370
                                        (TOPMEM), HL
                                                         ;SET MEMORY SIZE
                               LD
               00380
                              LD
                                        DE,32H
7EF1 113200
7EF4 B7
               00390
                               OR
7EF5 ED52
               00400
                               SBC
                                        HL, DE
7EF7 22A040
               00410
                               LD
                                        (SPOINT), HL
               00420 ;
               00430 ; SET 'LOAD' AND 'KILL' COMMAND VECTORS.
               00440 ;
                                        HL, INIT
7EFA 21E57E
               00450
                              LD
7EFD 228941
               00460
                               LD
                                        (4189H), HL
7F00 21F67F
               00470
                               LD
                                        HL, KILL
7F03 229241
               00480
                               LD
                                        (4192H),HL
7F06 CD6E1B
               00490
                               CALL
                                        SETPTR
                                                          ;SET ALL OTHER POINTERS.
7F09 C3CC06
               00500
                                        BASIC
                               JP
               00510;
               00520 ; MAIN ROUTINE
               00530 :
7FOC 3AF57F
               00540 START
                               LD
                                        A, (TEST)
                                                          ; TEST FOR PROGRAM RUNNING
               00550
                               OR
7FOF B7
                                        Α
7F10 2004
               00560
                               JR
                                        NZ, CONT
7F12 D9
               00570
                               EXX
7F13 CD2C7F
               00580
                               CALL
                                        PRINT
                                                          ;PRINT MESSAGE.
7F16 CDE303
               00590 CONT
                               CALL
                                        KBSCAN
7F19 D9
               00600
                               EXX
7F1A B7
               00610
                               ΠR
                                        NZ, RESCNT
7F1B 2046
7F1D 2AF37F
               00620
                               JR
               00630
                               LD
                                        HL, (COUNT)
               00640
7F20 7C
                               LD
                                        A,H
               00650
                               OR
                                        L
7F21 B5
                                        Α,0
7F22 3E00
               00660
                               LD
7F24 2806
               00670
                               JR
                                        Z,PRINT
7F26 2B
7F27 22F37F
                               DEC
                                                          ; DECREMENT COUNTER
               00680
                                        Н
                                        (COUNT),HL
               00690
                               LD
                               EXX
7F2A D9
               00700
7F2B C9
               00710
                               RET
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400 H . 711;

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00720 ;
               00730 ; THIS FLASHES MESSAGE
               00740;
7F2C 21003C
               00750 PRINT
                              LD
                                                        ; TOP LEFT OF SCREEN.
                                      HL, VIDEO
7F2F 7E
               00760
                                      A, (HL)
                              1 D
7F30 FE20
               00770
                              CP
                                       SPACE
                                                        ; IS MESSAGE PRINTED ?
7F32 201B
               00780
                              JR
                                       NZ, MESOFF
                                                        YES ! TURN IT OFF !!
7F34 21717F
               00790
                              LD
                                       HL, MESAGE
                                                        ;NO ! THEN PRINT IT !!
7F37 DD21003C 00800
                              LD
                                       IX, VIDEO
7F3B 32F57F
7F3E 7E
               00810
                              LD
                                       (TEST),A
               00820 LOOP
                              LD
                                       A, (HL)
7F3F FE00
               00830
                              CP
                                               ; CHECK FOR END OF MESSAGE.
7F41 2808
               00840
                              JR
                                       Z, ENDMES
7F43 DD7700
               00850
                              LD
                                       (IX),A
7F46 23
               00860
                              INC
                                       HL
7F47 DD23
               00870
                              INC
                                       IX
7F49 18F3
               00880
                              JR
                                      LOOP
                                                        ;KEEP ON PRINTING
7F4B AF
               00890 ENDMES
                              XOR
                                       Α
7F4C F5
               00900
                              PUSH
                                      AF
7F4D 1819
               00910
                              JR
                                      FIXCNT
                                                        ;FIX COUNT AGAIN
7F4F 21B27F
               00920 MESOFF
                              LD
                                      HL,CLEAR
                                                        ; WIPE OUT MESSAGE
7F52 DD21003C 00930
                                      IX, VIDEO
                              LD
7F56 7E
               00940 LOOP1
                              LD
                                       A, (HL)
7F57 FE00
               00950
                              CP
                                       0
                                                        ; SAME AS BEFORE.
7F59 28F0
               00960
                              JR
                                       Z, ENDMES
7F5B DD7700
               00970
                              LD
                                       (IX),A
7F5E 23
7F5F DD23
               00980
                              INC
                                      HL.
               00990
                              INC
                                       IX
7F61 18F3
               01000
                              JR
                                      LOOP1
7F63 F5
               01010 RESCNT
                             PUSH
                                       AF
7F64 AF
               01020
                              XOR
                                      Α
7F65 32F57F
               01030
                              LD
                                       (TEST), A
7F68 215002
              .01040 FIXCNT LD
                                                        GET DELAY.
                                       HL, DELAY
7F6B 22F37F
               01050
                              LD
                                       (COUNT), HL
7F6E F1
               01060
                              POP
7F6F D9
               01070
                              EXX
7F70 C9
               01080
                              RET
               01090 ;
               01100 ; CHOOSE YOUR OWN MESSAGE HERE.
               01110 ; N.B. FIRST CHARACTER MUST
                                                    NOT
                                                             BE A SPACE !!!
               01120 ;
7F71 3D
               01130 MESAGE DEFM
                                      '==>
                                                     SYSTEM 80
                                                                 16 K / LII COMPUTE
R SYSTEM.
                   <=='
7FB1 00
               01140
                              DEER
                                      Ω
                                               ; CONFIRM END OF MESSAGE.
7FB2 20
               01150 CLEAR
                              DEFM
                              ; CLEAR WITH 64 SPACES.
7FF2 00
               01160
                              DEFB
                                      0
                                               ; AS BEFORE.
7FF3 0000
               01170 COUNT
                              DEFW
                                      0
7FF5 00
               01180 TEST
                             DEFR
                                      Ω
               01190 ;
               01200 ; THIS SECTION RESETS KEYBOARD VECTOR.
               01210 :
7FF6 21E303
               01220 KILL
                              LD
                                      HL, KBSCAN
7FF9 221640
                                      (KBVEC), HL
               01230
                              LD
7FFC C3CC06
               01240
                              JP
                                      BASIC
               01250 ;
               01260 ; THIS SECTION RUNS THE PROGRAM BY ITSELF
               01270 ;
              01280
                              ORG
                                      4015H
4015 01E57E
               01290
                              LD
                                      BC, 7EE5H
7EE5
               01300
                              END
                                      INIT
                                                        ; INIT IS A BACKUP ???
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10 '** ** FLASH RATE DRIVER FOR MESSAGE ROUTINE ** **
20 CLS
30 PRINT@448," PRESENT FLASH RATE = ";PEEK(3261
7)+(PEEK(32618)*256)
40 PRINT:PRINT
50 INPUT" ENTER NEW FLASH RATE ";R
60 IFR>32767THENR=32767
70 IFR<0THENR=100
80 POKE32617, RAND255:POKE32618, (R/256) AND255
90 GOTO10
100 END
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F580: F590: F5A0: F5B0: F5C0: F5E0: F5F0: F600: F610: F620: F660: F690: F6A0: F540: F550: F560: F570: F5D0: F630: F640: F650: F670: F680: F6B0; F6C0; F6D0; F6E0: F6F0: F700: F710: F720: F730: F740: F750: F760: F770: F780: F780: -7B0: F800: F7CO: F7DO: F7EO: F7EO: F820: FB10:

DATA 33,225,123,62,195,50,151,65,34,152,65,33,239,123,50
DATA 154,65,34,155,65,195,204,6,229,33,0,60,17,253,123,1,0
DATA 4,237,176,225,201,229,33,253,123,17,0,60,1,0,4 ENTRY = F9A4G0T0 180 女女女 3141 SCREEN COPY UTILITY ONERROR GOTO 175: DEFUSR=31690: 'FIX DATA BUG POKE 16526,202:POKE 16527,123 002 002 002 002 002 002 002 003 003 003 SOUTH YARRA VIC N. J. COLEMAN 6/13 HOWITT ST FOR X = 31690 TO 31740 DATA 237, 176, 225, 201 LONGVAR POKE 16553,255 XX=USR(N) X,A 京京文 Hex dump of ΰ READ A NEXT X POKE START F440: F450: F460: F470: F420: F430: F480: F490: F4A0: F4B0: F400: 190 200 210 220 230

54 4 4 4 4 5 5 5 5 5 6 6 7 5 6 FBC0:
FBC0:
FBC0:
FBC0:
FCC0:

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500 510 520	530 GOSUB 1550 T 540 F*=INKEY***IFF*=""THEN540 550 FF F*= "V" THEN 590	T=0 60T0 59	280	IF A = 6 THEN 720	610 GOSUB 1450 :GOSUB 1560 620 PRINTTAB(23)"LIST NO. 6"		640 H*=INKEY*;IFH*=""THEN640 650.IF H*="Y" THEN 680	Z=0 Gnrn 400	Z=32	CLS	IF A =	/10 IF A>1 THEN 110 720 PRINT@460,"LOOK AT ME CLOSELY WHILE I READ YOUR MIND!!!"	730 FOR Q= 1 TO 1000; NEXT; CLS	/40 M=U+V+W+X+1+2 750 PRINTA443, TAB(13)"I HAVE IT::: THE NIMBER VOIL SELECTED	PRINT:FORT=1T01000; NEXT	PRINT	790 PRINT TAB(20) "TELL ME, WAS I CORRECT ?"	0	PRINTEO, TA	PRINT	850 K#=INKEY#:IFK#=""THENBD0	870 END	CLS	890 PRINT0463,"WHAT!! IMPOSSIBLE, I DO N-O-T MAKE MISTAKES.	 FOR X=1T02000:NEXT:CLS	930 GDTD 20			PRINT 17 19",	1000 PRINT"33 35","37 39","41 43","45 47"	
10 '"THE MIND READER" (C) COPYRIGHT 1980 BY PETER J. SMITH  C/- P.O. BOX 145. PENRITH N.S.W. 2750  ZO CLS:PRINTTAB(20)"T H E M I N D R E A D E R":PRINTTAB(20)STR	ING*(28,129) 20 PRINT:PRINTTAB(31)"B Y":PRINT:PRINTTAB(23)"P E T E R S M I H"	40 PRINT:PRINT"CHOOSE A LIST 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6" 50 PRINT:PRINT"THINK OF A NUMBER FROM 1 TO 63	- DO NOT TELL ME WHAT IT IS -".PRINT "MEMORIZE THE NIMBER AND ANSWER THE DIESTIONS BY PRESSING	< Y > OR < N > !!"	60 PKINI:PRINT"NOW WHICH LIST WOULD YOU PREFER ?" 70 A\$=INKEY\$:IFA\$=""THEN70 ELSEA=VAL(A\$)	601070	90 CLS:Y=1:N=2 100 ON A GOTO 110 .210 .310 .410 .510 .610	15ÚB1560 167 MG 4 11	GOSUB 1550			160 U=0 170 GDT0 190		170 CLS 200 IF A=2 THEN 720		230 GOSUB 1550	240 C#-INNET##IFC#=""- HEN240 250 IF C#="Y" THEN 280	260 V=0		2	310 6USUB 1150 :6USUB1560 720 BRINTTAB(27)":15T NG 7"	60SUB1550		350 IT D#="Y" IHEN 380		390 CLS 400 TF A=4 THEN 220		430 GOSUB 1550 440 E#=INKEV#:IEE#===ITUEN##A		460 X=0	

1040 END					10 REM * COPYRIGHT BY DAVID WEAVER
	3","5	7", "10	11","14	15"	NEW * 03 APRIL 1981
-	19","22	23","26	27", "30	31"	
	35", "38	39","42	43","46	47"	A*= ***######## CLS
1110 PRINT 1120 PRINT"50	51","54	55", "58	59","62	63"	80 PRINT 315, "PERSONAL INCOME AND TAX PAYABLE"; 90 REM * COMPUTES NET INCOME
			í		100 PRINT:PRINT:INPUT"WHAT IS YOUR GROSS INCOME FROM GROUP CERTI
		:	:	:	Ż
1160 PRINT"4 1170 PRINT	5", "6	7","12	13","14	.c.I	";U1 120 PRINT:PRINT "YOUR TOTAL INCOME IS
	21","22	23","28	29", "30	31"	";USING A\$ ; 6C+OI
	37","38	39","44	45", "46	47"	
1210 PRINT 1220 PRINT"52	53", "54	55","60	61","62	63"	140 TI = (GC+OI)DD 150 PRINT:PRINT"YOUR NET TAXABLE INCOME IS
1230 RETURN 1240 END					";USING A\$;TI 160 PRINT:INPUT"WHAT IS THE TAX PAID FROM YOUR GROUP CERTIFICATE
					TP TP
1260 PRINT"8	9","10	11","12	13","14	15"	170 REM * PROGRAM TO FIND TAX PAYABLE ON NET INCOME
	25", "26	27","28	29", "30	31"	DOLLAR ON LOWER LIMIT
1290 PRINT 1300 PRINT"40	41","42	43","44	45"."46	47"	190 REM * TC STORES CENTS IN THE DOLLAR ON NET INCOME OVER THE
		•			
1320 PRINT"56	57", "58	59", "60	61","62	<b>9</b> 3	210 FOR J=1 TO 4
					220 NEMD LE(3), (D(3), (C(3), (C(3)))
					RESTC
	17","18	19","20	21","22	23"	REM * SEARC
1370 PRIN! 1380 PRINT"24	25", "26	27", "28	29", "30	31"	260 FOR J=1 TO 4 270 IF LL(J) >= TI THENGOTO310
		•	•		NEXT J
	49", "50	51", "52	53", "54	52.	LET J = 5
1410 PRINT 1420 PRINT"56	57", "58	29"."60	61"."62	<b>6</b> 3"	300 KEM * PRINT OUT INCOME TAX PAYABLE ON NET INCOME TI 310 IT = $TD(J-1)+TC(J-1)*(J-1)$
	•		•	ı I	PRINT:
					NISO!
1450 PKINI3448,"" 1460 PRINT"32	33","34	35", "36	37","38	39"	350 IF II > IF THENBULUS/O
1480 PRINT"40	41", "42	43","44	45", "46	47"	";USING A\$;INT(((TP-IT)+.005)*100)/100
1470 FRINT"48	49", "50	51","52	53", "54	55"	370 PRINT:PRINT:< * YOU OWE * > THE TAX DEPARTMENT
1510 PRINT		07" "05	67: :17	n 2.7	";USING A\$;INT(((IT-TP)+.005)*100)/100
	*	<b>.</b>	* 10	3	
1550 PRINT@395,"IS		THE NUMBER YOU SELECTED LISTED HERE	LISTED HERE	?";:RETUR	410 DATA 1,0,0
1560 PRINTOO, TAB	15)"THE M	INDREA	DER ":	PRINTTAB(1	
5)STRING*(28,129):RETURN	: RETURN				440 DATA 34478,12153.3,0.60

# \*\*\*\*\* NEXT MONTH'S ISSUE \*\*\*\*\*

Next month's issue will contain at least the following programs plus the usual features and articles.

# \*\* LEMNISCATES LII/4K \*\*

This program is for all those people who hate typing in long program listings. Lemniscates has one (1) line, yes that's all. The author wanted to see just how much could be done in one line of program. If you know what Lemniscates are, you will have an idea just how much this one line program does. If you don't know.....look it up before the next issue!!!

# \*\* WHEEL LOADER PRODUCTION LI/4K \*\*

This program is designed to calculate wheel loader production in tons per hour. It can be used for all sizes of loaders in all types of conditions. If you are in the earthmoving or mining business, this should be very useful.

### \*\* RESTORE LII/16K \*\*

On some personal computers, the EXIDY SORCERER to name one, it is possible to include in the program a statement such as RESTORE 300. This then sets the data pointer to look at line 300 when the program encounters a READ statement instead of having to read in all the data in the program - a great time saver. Next month you too will have this function on your computer.

# \*\* ALIEN INVASION LII/16K \*\*

In this game you have to fight off the invading aliens. If you let five of them land the game moves on into a second section which is even harder, with lots of aliens all fighting back.

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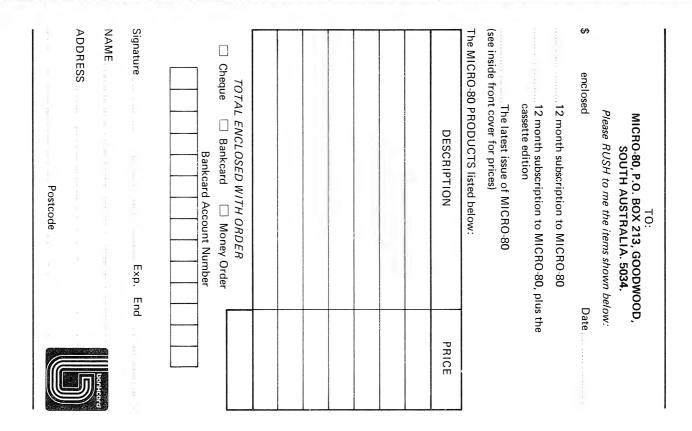
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